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REDS ACTIVE ON BANK OF YANGTSE

Legislators May Evacuate Nanking

Nanking, November 30.
Mr. Yen Kuo-fu, Deputy Secretary-General of the Legislative Yuan, told the United Press today that a special committee of the Yuan met today to formulate plans to evacuate the legislators if necessary.
Mr. Yen said no decision was made to move out of Nanking but that plans were being made ready as a precaution.
At the same time an unconfirmed Shanghai report said that the Executive, Control, Examination and Judicial Yuan also were making evacuation plans.
An unofficial source said air force headquarters personnel had been ordered to be transferred to Taiwan within 10 days, leaving a skeleton staff in Nanking.
The air force headquarters spokesman, however, was not aware of such an order.
It was also reported that the naval headquarters may be evacuated to Taiwan, but official confirmation was lacking.—United Press.

Berlin Reds Form Own City Govt

Berlin, November 30.
Russian-backed Berlin Communists established a separate City Government today in opposition to the elected anti-Communist administration.
The Communists made virtual complete the political division between Eastern and Western Berlin.
A new anti-Communist Government to administer the Western sector of the city—occupied by the U.S., Britain and France—will be chosen in elections on Sunday.
The Russians have forbidden voting in their sector of the city and the Communists have ordered their followers to boycott the election.
Outvoted before, the Communists are not risking defeat at the ballot boxes this time. They called a mass rally for today, with all workers in both Eastern and Western Berlin urged to lay down their tools at noon to join the meeting.
The Communists were joined by a few splinter elements from other parties at the meeting in the Soviet sector of the city.

Move For Control

The rally was called with the avowed aim of taking decisive measures for the protection of a united Berlin—apparently a move to gain control of the whole city before the election in the Western sector, where about two-thirds of the people of Berlin live.
The Communists denounced the elected Government and said that it was a puppet. Then they elected Mr. Friedrich Ebert, Jr., 54, as their own governor. He is the son of Germany's first President under the Weimar Republic.
He now is President of the Communist-controlled State Parliament of Brandenburg. He is a member of the Christian Democratic Union and one of the nominally non-Communist elements working with the Communist-controlled Democratic bloc.
The presence of Mr. Ebert and a few other non-Communists was characterized by Western authorities as a window dressing for the Communist front organization which has not public backing.
Places were given on the executive government to nominal representatives of other Communist parties, but the men chosen all have long since been discredited by the regular organizations of the parties they presume to represent.—Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the Siberian anticyclone continues to dominate the area. A ridge extends Eastwards from it across Japan with a small anticyclone centred over the Yellow Sea moving Eastwards. A strong pressure gradient extends across the S China Sea from the anticyclone to a tropical depression centred over the Philippines, moving W or NW at 15 knots.
Today's Forecast: Moderate E to NE winds, fresh or strong in exposed places. Fair or fine.
Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum 71.6 deg. Fah.
Minimum 52.5 deg. Fah.
Sunshine 9.7 hours.
Rainfall .01 inch since Jan. 1.
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Average of 2112.5 mm. = 83.17 in.
Readings at:
10 (max.) 106.6 mm.
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Equal to 30.57 in. Hg.
Rel. Humidity 68 68 75
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High 106.6 106.6 106.6
Low 1016.5 1016.5 1016.5
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Bands Lay Groundwork For Future Crossing BATTLE FOR PENGPU

Nanking, November 30.

Small Communist bands today were reported to be increasing activities on the North and South banks of the Yangtse River, 50 miles East of Nanking, presumably to lay the ground work for future crossing operations.

The official Central News Agency, lifting the curtain on the serious situation on the river banks, reported that Communists two days ago captured the river port, Kuoyanchen, 70 miles East of Nanking and on the North bank of the Yangtse River.
It said, however, that the port was recaptured by Government troops operating in co-operation with naval units.

U.S. Plan For Evacuation

Nanking, November 30.
The United States Embassy this morning implemented a plan drawn up a month ago for evacuating dependants of Embassy and consular officials from areas threatened by civil war.

An Embassy communiqué said about 110 dependants of the Embassy and consular personnel in Nanking and Shanghai will be airlifted by U. S. Navy planes to Manila, commencing Thursday.

It said: "This action is being taken in consonance with previous warnings to American citizens who have no compelling reason of remaining that they would be well advised to move to areas of great safety."—United Press.

Red Columns

Central News said three Communist columns under General Chen Yi joined in the battle South West of Suhsien where earlier two Government armies were encircled by the Communists.

The agency said Government warplanes and heavy armour were being flung into the battle.

Government troops were reported today to have evacuated Kuocheng, the last main railway town, 20 miles North of Pengpu, as the battle in Southern Anhwei spread Southward towards Nanking.

The latest pro-Government reports said that with the Communist pressing their attack in the Hwai river area, to the South East of the city, Nationalist troops under General Li Yuen-nien have voluntarily given up Kuocheng and swung around Southward to intercept any further Red advance.

This coincided with the information from authoritative sources today that General Liu Shih has moved his East China bandit suppression headquarters from Huachow to Pengpu, where he is at present directing operations in the current battle.

As General Liu arrived at Pengpu, the main force of the Government troops originally deployed in the Huachow area have embarked on a Southward march to join the Pengpu battle, with spearheads reported to be approaching the Communist-held Suhsien from the North.

Considerable numbers of Manchurian troops are reported to have boarded vessels at the South Manchurian port of Huludao for East China, presumably heading for the Huachow front or marching across Southern Jehol province towards Chahar and Suiyuan.

CAF Strafing

Peiping-based warplanes today heavily bombed and strafed Communist troop concentrations and railway terminus 320 miles West of Peiping.

An official despatch reported the Nationalists this morning recaptured Peiping trading centre and railway terminus 320 miles West of Peiping.

The city was the second most important Inner Mongolian province of Suiyuan taken by cavalry and infantry which swooped on it from the East.

Its recapture greatly stabilizes the situation in Suiyuan, home base province of General Fu Tsi-yi and important food supplying source for his armies in North China.

General Fu last night predicted the fall of Peatow. He said two columns were then closing in on the city from the East.

Meanwhile, pro-Government reports said the Nationalists yesterday blew up the early Red span railway bridge over the Luan River. The river is the Eastern limit of General Fu Tsi-yi's railway corridor in Hopei.

Tangshan, centre of the great Sino-British Kailan mines, 50 miles West of the river, and possibly will be the first big Red objective in the coming battle for Hopei.

Pro-Government despatches said the Nationalists in the Tangshan area had killed themselves for the attack.

They alleged General Lin Piao, Red commander in Manchuria, had moved two more columns into Eastern Hopei which would bring his total strength there to 100,000 Nationalist troops.

Tropical Storm Filling Up

Manila, November 30.
The Weather Bureau advisory bulletin said today that a tropical storm was centred 50 miles South East of Iloilo and gradually filling up.
Another depression is developing 50 miles East of Iwahig on Palawan Island and is expected to move West North West at 10 knots.
"The intense pressure gradient and strong to gale North Easterly winds will continue to prevail in the regions of Luzon Strait, Philippine Sea, Luzon, Northern Visayas and the South China Sea," said the bulletin.—United Press.

Police Patrols Enforce Ban On Tricycles

The 600 odd tricycles which have been plying for hire in Hong Kong and Kowloon since the liberation will be completely taken off the road as from today.

At five minutes to midnight, police parties of five patrolled streets in Hong Kong and on the mainland, on the look-out for tricycle drivers attempting to do business in spite of the official ban.

Several tricycle drivers were arrested on Des Voeux Road Central shortly after midnight, and their vehicles confiscated. Other drivers, seeing this, ran away, leaving their cycles behind. No untoward incidents were reported.

Three petitions by the peddlers for an extension of time were turned down by Government. On the last occasion the petitioners marched in a procession to the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Traffic officials of the Police Department said there would not be any extension. The peddlers' complaint of hardship had been considered, but as they had been warned more than six months ago, and the warning had been repeated many times in the interval, it was felt that they had had ample opportunity to find some other occupation on the expiration of the deadline.

The peddlers said yesterday they might make another appeal to Government to be allowed to operate until after the Chinese New Year.

Airline Plans Cheap, Fast European Tours

London, November 29.

Two class air travel and a family fare plan to Europe highlight the future plans of American Overseas Airlines.

After a three-week whirlwind trip to Europe—six days each in Paris and London, three in Stockholm and three in Copenhagen, Frankfurt and Amsterdam—Miss Carlena Roberts, assistant Vice-President of AOA, summed up: "It will not be long before a young stenographer will be able to make the same trip."

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Miss Roberts, the only woman assistant Vice-President in any of America's 16 airlines, believed air travel is one quick way to world peace.

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"This air woman who looks more like a fashion plate than a busy, efficient administrator on America's biggest domestic airline, hopes that Americans will soon have the additional benefit of the family fare plan. The AOA plan fixes it so a man can take his wife and children on half-fare tickets or if the husband cannot fly it works the same way for the wife."

The all-round fare to London in the winter season stands today at \$115. Miss Roberts, however, would not commit herself as to future reductions but friendly officials hinted at round about \$100 full fare.

The AOA employs 712 men and women in Europe. Eighty-six of these are Americans. Recently the airline started a service to Finland and opened a twice-weekly service to Prestwick. From Prestwick, AOA is now operating a Scottish Mercury service to New York.

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Britain Abandons Demand On Holy Land Settlement

Paris, November 30.

Britain, seeking complete agreement with the United States, has abandoned her demand for full United Nations endorsement of the Bernadotte Plan for Palestine, a British spokesman revealed today.

The spokesman said the United States has also agreed to make some modifications in her position in UNO debate of a final Holy Land solution.

The official British delegation spokesman, however, indicated that achievement of Anglo-American harmony on the issue required a backdown from Britain's earlier insistence on UN adoption of the principles of the disputed Bernadotte Plan.

Mr. Harold Beeley, British Foreign Office Palestine expert and acting British delegate, is to announce the various changes in Britain's position in the course of the day-long Holy Land debate in the General Assembly's Political Committee.

As a result of the modifications of both the American and British stands a resolution is expected to be proposed under which the General Assembly would establish a UN conciliation commission. The commission would be told to keep the Bernadotte recommendations as a platform for Anglo-Jewish territorial exchange in mind when it tries to bring the two parties to agreement.

The principal territorial recommendation made by the late Count Bernadotte was for the transfer of the Neguv from Israel to the Arabs in return for which the Jews would get clear title to Western Galilee, an area they had taken from the Arabs in the Palestine war.

Under the year-old UN partition plan which set up a Jewish State in Israel, the Jews got the Neguv and the Arabs were given Western Galilee.

The clause—a sentence outlines the duties of the proposed Palestine conciliation commission—also would say in effect that if the Jews want to keep Western Galilee they should concede some other land, probably a part of the Neguv to the Arabs.

The spokesman said the new British resolution would probably make specific reference to count Bernadotte's proposal for making Haifa a free port and Lydda a free airport.

The British concessions are expected to clear up some confusion enveloping the Political Committee's structure of Palestine.

A large bloc of UN countries opposed the original British position and seemed strong enough to block majority approval of the British resolution.

The modifications have been made, the spokesman said, in the hope that this group of countries—most of them reported to UN effort to a specific settlement on the Jews—would now provide enough votes to establish a UN peace-making machinery in the Holy Land.—United Press.

Details Not Available
Details of the modified British plan were not immediately available.

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1 Bottle Hunt's Madras Sherry
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A limited number of Ullas will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.
Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

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WING ON GODOWN FIRE INQUIRY CONCLUDED

Watches To Be Returned To Owner

An application by Inspector Cushman for the return to him of 800 wrist watches and 243 alarm clocks which were stolen from parcel mail on the ss. Andre Lebon en route to Hong Kong was granted by Mr. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

In making the application, Inspector Cushman said the watches and clocks, together with the HK\$180 which were proceeds of the 10 clocks sold, were handed over to the police on October 10 by Charlie Chan of the Grand Magazine Central Suppliers. The wrist watches were consigned to the Wah Lee Firm and the alarm clocks to the Belgian Bank. The goods were at once handed over to the police by Chan when he found out that the goods were stolen.

Reminders

Today

Engineering Society of Hong Kong, meeting, paper on "Hong Kong Water Supply System" by Mr. L. Jackson. The H. Club meeting, Taihot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

Sino-British Club rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m. H.K. Singers rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

Drama rehearsal of "Mr. Fantabert" at European YMCA, 8.15 p.m.

Debating-Discussion Group meeting, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Golden Gloves Tournament, China Fleet Club, 8.30 p.m. Kowloon Rotary Club meeting, talk on "The Order of St. John" by Mr. L. Jones, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong meeting, talk on "Days of Decision" by Dr. Katie Woo, Cosmos Club, 7 p.m.

H.K. Realty & Trust Co. Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting, 11.15 a.m.

Reception for Bishop Hall, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 4 p.m.

H.K. Light Orchestra rehearsal, 27B, Robinson Road, 6 p.m.

St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong, annual general meeting, Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY
Diocesan Girls' School Bazaar, formal opening by Mrs. Matthews, 2.15 p.m.

Ex-Gunners' Roll of Hong Kong, St. Barbara's Day, Cocktail Party 6.30 to 8 p.m.

H.M. Dockyard Recreation Club Supper Dance, China Fleet Club.

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PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS

Hearing of evidence was concluded yesterday before the Commission of Inquiry investigating into the cause of the Wing On Godown Fire of September 22, after two witnesses had been recalled for further clarification of evidence.

The Chairman of the Commission, Mr. Justice Reynolds, at the end of yesterday's hearing declared that, as far as could be seen at the moment, hearing was concluded of the evidence into the cause of the fire and the loss of life and property which it occasioned.

Some evidence however should still have to be taken which might effect the recommendations of the Commission to the Government in respect of measures to be taken in prevention of a recurrence of such a disaster.

Mr. Reynolds went on to say that a number of interested parties had been invited to say what they would be requested to discuss their ideas with the Commission. These discussions would, like the hearing of evidence on the origin of the fire, and the manner of dealing with it, also be open to the public, but such discussions will be conducted in a more informal manner. The assistance of persons well versed in current fire insurance practice and in the running of warehouses will be obtained.

Mr. Reynolds added that the date of the next hearing will be announced in the Gazette and the press—probably some time next week.

Last Witnesses

The last two witnesses, giving further evidence yesterday were Mr. Rolph, Assistant Superintendent of Police, and Mr. W. M. Smith, Chief Officer of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade.

Mr. Rolph told the Commission that at about 3 o'clock in the afternoon of September 22, it was reported to him that certain members of the Fire Brigade on the scene of the fire were on the verge of a riot.

On meeting Mr. Brand later on, Mr. Rolph went on, he asked him whether police help was needed in the fire-fighting. He was told that it would be well-come.

Mr. Rolph said he then gave orders for police constables to assist the firemen with the hoses.

Witness went on to say that the assistance which the police gave was valuable in that some firemen were able to get some rest, a change of clothes and some food.

In reply to a query, Mr. Rolph said that in his opinion had the Fire Brigade been organised on different lines from the present one it could have done much better in the way of fire-fighting.

Present System

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Water Supply Restrictions

Imposition of restrictions on fresh water supplies begins today.

The supply will be cut off at 10 p.m. and resumed at 6 a.m. the following day.

The restrictions will continue daily to avoid any severe restrictions later.

The step has been taken in view of the considerable increase in consumption, decrease from stream sources and the increase in population.

Charged With Exporting Load Of Apples

Ma Cheng-wing, aged 40, sub-manager, was charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday with exporting 256 cases of apples, prohibited cargo.

R. O. Redman prosecuted and defendant was represented by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon.

R. O. Redman said that on November 28, Senior R. O. Power went on board the ss. Hai Hui prior to her departure for Singapore. A search was made and 14 packages of water chestnuts were found. On a further examination the 256 cases of apples were also located. The apples were valued at HK\$11,000.

The shortage of apples in the Colony was apparent said R. O. Redman, due no doubt to the shipping strike in America. Defendant who was a bona fide merchant, should be well acquainted with the regulations of the Colony.

The apples were ordered to be confiscated and defendant was cautioned.

All Satisfactory

Mr. Smith replied that he did not think so, for when he visited the godown some time ago before the fire he found everything all right and in satisfactory condition.

Mr. Evans then told Mr. Smith that the fact remained that there was a complete burnout of the No. 2 Godown in spite of his claim.

Witness in reply stated that the presence of burning films could have done much to spread the flames very quickly and fiercely in No. 2 Godown.

As to Fire Brigade inspectors, Mr. Smith told the Commission that they were trained by practical experience as well as by studying the causes of fires and such things. Practical experience, he added, was gained by going along with the experienced inspectors during inspections of godowns.

The changes brought about by the war and the termination of the Company's business and activities from Shanghai to Hong Kong. Less than 10 per cent of the assets remained in Shanghai, said Mr. Marden who explained how the rest of the assets in Shanghai had been disposed of.

The Chairman referred to his resignation in August 1942 due to ill health, and to the steps he took while in England to preserve the Company's assets.

The Company's head office was now in Hong Kong, and Shanghai served as a branch only, like other branches throughout the Far East.

The transfer to Hong Kong was cemented by the acquisition of a half interest in John D. Hutchison & Co. Ltd., old established firm of general merchants.

Another investment in Hong Kong had been the acquisition of the shares in the Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co. Ltd. A subsidiary—Hartman Realty Co. Ltd.—was also acquired.

Mr. Marden listed the associate or subsidiary members of the Company as follows:—Shanghai Hong Kong Hotel, Non-members; Marden & Co. Ltd., Metal Industries of China Ltd., Eastern Asia

HMS London, Black Swan, Alms and Hart left the harbour yesterday for disembarkment exercises in the Mils Bay area. Some members of the local garrison were given an opportunity to watch the exercises from HMS London. The ships will return today.

The meeting re-elected the Hon. Mr. P. S. Cassidy and Mr. V.K. Vong to the Board, and re-appointed Mr. Marwick Mitchell & Co. as auditors.

Present at the meeting were Mr. G.E. Marden (Chairman) and Messrs. C. Blaker, Ellis Hayman, F.J. Horman-Fisher and E.S. Cassidy (Directors) and Messrs. A. Hillary, T.A. Spedding, Quincy Chuang, J.D. Clague, W.G.E. Lan-geran and J.L. Marden. (Mrs. W.G. Blown and Major T.A. Zee (shareholders).

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Gruesome Murder Of Farmer Near Wine Dragon Village

On the slopes of Thunder God Hill near the Wine Dragon Village was buried a man trussed up in a gunny sack.

The man was believed to be Ng Chai, a farmer of the Wine Dragon Village in Sheung Shui District, New Territories, victim of an atrocious murder.

He was known to be a man of expensive habits and an opium addict. Life with his wife had apparently not been altogether peaceful, for it was said that he often had quarrels with her over money matters.

Two of his claustrums, Ng Lun and Ng Kam-ying, lived with him under the same roof and worked as his farmhands.

On August 18, at about 8.30 a.m., Ng Kam-ying, while resting after the day's work outside the house, saw two strangers enter. He did not see them leave.

That night he lay awake in his bed in the cockpit, for he was worried, as the strangers were presumably still in the house. They might be robbers for all he knew.

In the middle of the night he heard the noise of bed boards coming from next door. After half an hour of suspense, he crept to the trap-door and, lying on the floor, peered down into the room below. By the light of a kerosene lamp, he saw Ng Lun, standing by the side of the door.

Down the stairs he went and then he discovered that the two strangers were on the other side of the door, some distance apart from Ng Lun. Before his decent

Later he told a cowhand named Ng Shek and a friend of his, Yuen Choi.

On August 30, the wife of Mr. Chai, Tsang Tai, reported to the Sheung Shui Police Station that her husband had been missing since August 18, after borrowing HK\$300 from her.

Inquiries were made and setting upon information received, Detective Sub-Inspector J.P. Waldron took Tsang Tai, Ng Lun and several other persons back to the station on September 9.

The next day the police went to the hillside and dug up the sack. The body was in a crumpled position. A piece of rope was looped round the neck and tied round the ankles. A piece of cloth knotted at the back was also around the neck, but it was impossible to tell whether it was originally there or used as a gag. The body in a state of putrefaction.

Doctor R.E. Alvarez, Medical Officer-in-charge of the Kowloon Police Mortuary, said that in his opinion, the man died three to four weeks before the body was sent to him for examination on September 11. It was impossible to determine the cause of death but foul play was suspected, and if that piece of rope around his neck was looped tight enough, the man would have died of strangulation.

It was alleged that Tsang Tai, the wife of the deceased, had told a villager that she was disgusted with her husband and wanted to get rid of him. It was also alleged that Ng Lun approached two men on one occasion and asked them if they would help him to get rid of Ng Chai.

Ng Lun, an old man of 63, and Tsang Tai were brought before Mr. W.H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday on criminal charges of murder. An additional charge of attempting to mislead the police by giving false information was preferred against the woman.

Inspector Charles Mottram, Chief of Criminal Intelligence (Kowloon) assisted by DSI Waldron, conducted the prosecution.

For further hearing was adjourned until today.

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PROFITS OF RUBBER COMPANIES LISTED

Profits totalling HK\$119,430 were made by three rubber companies, incorporated in Hong Kong, during the year ended June 30. This was announced at the annual general meetings of shareholders in the three companies which operate in Malaya.

A net profit of HK\$50,119 for an output of 530,000 pounds of rubber was made by the Semambu Rubber Estates, Limited.

Mr. W. A. Welch, chairman, said that the output for the next financial year is estimated at 550,000 pounds of rubber. The chairman published their proposals for dealing with War Damage Claims and claims under the Compulsory War Risks Insurance Scheme. These proposals are at the moment before the Legislative Council and have been received with considerable criticism and opposition. It is still uncertain what action will be received under these heads and, therefore, no credit has been taken into account, said the chairman. He added that the cost of rubber has risen considerably since the year but in spite of this a fair average price realised during the year was fairly low. Now that rehabilitation is virtually completed there is every reason to hope that the Company will rapidly build up its reserves again.

Mr. Welch said that it is reported that 63 acres of immature rubber became mature during the year. An area of old rubber in the lower division amounting to 229 acres was also temporarily abandoned as being quite uneconomic to tap at the present time. A decision will be taken during the coming year as to what is to be done with this area, where the soil is very poor. It is proposed to replant 60 acres in the upper division during the coming year, and a start has been made in clearing the area.

Labour he added, is reported as having been sufficient for all needs and the standard of living is reported to be generally good. There has been no trouble with the labour force during the period under review, and they appear to be contented. The present troubles in Malaya have not yet affected the estate, although there have been incidents on neighbouring properties.

Present at the meeting were Messrs. H. Kadoorie, A. E. Fen-ton (Directors), Mr. C. E. Abbas (representing the Secretaries & General Managers), J. A. Wattle & Co. (Ltd.) and Shareholders representing 21,750 shares.

Profit Of \$35,000

At the annual meeting of the Cheong Rubber Estates, Limited, the Chairman, Mr. W. A. Welch reported a net profit of HK\$35,000 for the year.

He added that the Directors recommend that HK\$50,000 be transferred to the General Reserve from the balance to the credit of the Appropriation Account and that HK\$33,800 be carried forward to the new period.

He said that the cost of production for the year was fair, in spite of a considerable rise in labour costs. The average selling price realised over the year, however, was only just above 31 Straits cents a pound, which is considerably below the present price of rubber.

During the year 113 acres were replanted and the general appearance of the replanting is reported to be good. It is intended to replant 63 acres during the coming year. The labour force is reported as having been adequate, and the standard of tapping is good, said the chairman.

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DGS Bazaar To Be Opened On Saturday

The Diocesan Girls' School bazaar, in aid of the School's charitable organisations, will be formally opened by Mrs. A. E. Matthews, Chairman of the International Women's Club, at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday.

The bazaar will be held at the School grounds, at Jordan Road, Kowloon.

The main attractions include a buffet dance, treasure hunt, fortune telling, a net-ball match and pony rides.

In addition, there will be numerous slideshows and games of skill, including coconut shies, an Aunt Sally—all of which will be run by the girls now studying at the School.

Those in search of Christmas gifts will be able to save themselves hours of shopping, by patronising the stalls of needlework, toys, Christmas cards, sweets, plants and a great variety of other attractive objects.

Mrs. Matthews, who will open the bazaar, is a former student of the Diocesan Girls' School. She is also a member of the School Council.

Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet, arrived in the Colony from Singapore yesterday. He is here for informal discussions with Rear Admiral Madden.

Prince Axel Arrives



Prince Axel of Denmark arrived at Kai Tak yesterday by a PAA from Manila on an inspection tour of the world-wide branch offices of the East Asiatic Company, Limited, of which he is the Director general. The distinguished visitor is second from left. ("China Mail" Photo).

"Lay Off Politics," Is Prince Axel's Advice

Being a businessman, Prince Axel of Denmark never worries about politics and, considering the world situation, he thinks it would be a good idea if most other people didn't either.

"Why don't they re-introduce free trade as there was before we had any wars?" he asked yesterday.

Prince Axel, tall, middle-aged and alert, will be in Hong Kong until Sunday. As Chairman and Managing Director of The East Asiatic Company Ltd., he is touring some of the 32 offices of his Company which are to be found in most countries of the world. In his brief visit to Shanghai, he said, the situation seemed to have improved slightly.

Accompanying Prince Axel are Mr. Hakon Christensen, who is also a Managing Director of the company, and Mr. M. Fagh, Manager of the company's Hong Kong branch.

Personalia

Dr. Katie Woo will address the Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong at the Cosmo Club at 7 p.m. tomorrow. Her subject will be "Day of Decision." At the same meeting, a full length film will be screened.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. S. Antunes, Mrs. O. A. P. Silva, Messrs. E. A. Carlos, F. X. C. Hagatong, S. S. Rajah and Captain G. A. K. Missen arrived from Macao by the ss. Wusueh yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. More, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Carlisle, the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Saunders, Mrs. Norma C. S. Fitch, Mrs. Mayre R. Ludden, Mrs. Alda A. Schlieder, Miss Irmgard P. Schlieder, Dr. H. A. Lockie and Mrs. Karl H. Stange arrived in the Colony from Canton by yesterday by the ss. Falshan.

Departures for Macao yesterday by ss. Wusueh included Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Coxall, Miss L. J. Coxall, Mrs. M. McLennan and Mrs. R. P. Taylor.

The Right Reverend Mr. R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hong Kong, is due to arrive back in the Colony today by BOAC plane. A reception to welcome him will be held at St. John's Cathedral Hall on Friday between 4 and 6 p.m.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mr.

Senator Urges Study Of Trade As Means To Secure Asia Peace

The way for perpetual peace in Asia is for each country to follow the natural economic course and forget past sorrows and animosity, Mr. George W. Malone, 58-year-old senator of Nevada, said on his arrival here from Manila en route to Bangkok yesterday.

Accompanied by his wife, he is making a whirlwind tour of the Far East collecting economic data and studying potential trade possibilities. Senator Malone stayed at Kai Tak for an hour before the PAA clipper which brought him here took off for Bangkok.

"Each country in Asia should study the trade prospects of the surrounding countries," the Chairman of the United States National Resources Economic Committee told a "China Mail" representative yesterday.

"She should also develop her own trade and then promote neighbourly trade relationships with the others. With the integrity of her local government established, foreign investments, especially that of the United States, will flow in smoothly, resulting to prosperity for all."

China has tremendous possibilities, he said, but she needs a long range programme for real peace. Japan, with her national characteristic as a "go-getter," will attain prosperity faster if she is permitted. The Philippines, however, is still young and inclined to lean too much on Uncle Sam, he said.

During his brief sojourn at Manila, Senator Malone conferred with about 45 businessmen and officials connected with the Economic Department.

"It is a great pity that we missed President Elpidio Quirino, who was then touring the islands," he said.

At present there is no apparent indication of a Communist threat in the Philippines, Senator Malone declared. Communism is still very young there. However, should that influence develop in the islands, the United States would be ever ready to help stamp it down.

and Mrs. R. Batty, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Denton, Messrs. H. T. Samson, E. K. Tan, J. N. Evans, O. Ellis, M. I. Greisman, C. Ireland, C. C. Kang, F. R. Hanson, V. M. Allington, E. L. Watkins, A. L. Smith, T. F. Kuo, L. Lane, H. J. Lund, N. van Mach, T. B. McAulay, J. E. Fish, J. B. Franklin and Lieutenant-Colonel E. L. Duff.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday were: Mr. and Mrs. R. Walligora, Captain and Mrs. T. S. Bohman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Wallon Kookey, Messrs. V. L. Sargeant, Harvey Gale Duncan, C. S. Wickens, T. G. Rea, H. W. Bernard, J. J. Murray, S. H. Ling, K. L. Perry, J. F. Church, Y. A. Wahab, M. Hui Inson, and M. A. Luckey.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Clark, Mrs. W. M. Arnold, Mrs. Runal, Mrs. M. Kelly, Mrs. J. E. Peters, Mrs. Stanning, Mrs. S. G. Steele, Mrs. Howard, Messrs. R. J. Januszowski, R. J. Tipping, G. Talbot, G. T. Guinard, Miss Guinard, Miss Y. K. Clark, Miss Wellbelove and Captain McAdams were among the passengers who arrived by the ss. Shengking from Shanghai during the weekend.

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North China Foreigners Ask For Statement On "Scorched Earth Policy"

Tientsin, November 29.

British, American and other foreigners in Tientsin and Peiping were tonight asking their respective consulates if the Nationalists in North China intend to respect their property or violate their comparative neutrality in the Chinese civil war by destroying foreign possessions and property wholesale.

These fears were aroused by reports, now confirmed, of the destruction of the Sino-British Kailan Mining Administration's installations in Chinwangtao and the threat posed to similar installations in Tongshan, the strategic centre astride the path of the Communist advance.

The demolition of these installations on a plea of "scorched earth policy" would represent destruction of fabulous foreign investments.

British residents here said tonight the decision to remain in North China, reached by most Britons and Americans, would be pointless, in the face of such an apparent lack of protection accorded to foreign property which had been additionally built up through the decades through participation in China's industrialisation.

Foreigners here are also wondering if what happened to Chinwangtao could be taken as an indication of the future.

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U.S. Marines In Tsingtao

Tsingtao, November 29.
A detachment of U.S. Marines numbering some 1,200, commanded by Colonel T. B. Hughes, arrived in Tsingtao from Guam this morning on the Navy transport U.S. Bayfield.

The Marines are still staying on the ship pending the transfer to regular quarters which still have not been allocated.

The detachment was transferred here at the request of Admiral Oscar C. Badger to "assist American civilian evacuation and protect American property" in the present critical period.

Meanwhile Chinese military sources were reticent on the progress of their operations towards Tsingtao but it was reliably learned that it is aimed more at securing elbow room than actual threat to provincial capital of Shanghai.

It was learned that Nationalist forces here are insufficient to threaten Red General Chen Yi. A Taiwan division here at present, is trained to use American arms but has no American arms to use right now. The last shipment of arms is understood to have been diverted to General Fu Tso-yi in the North. —Associated Press.

MARSHALL AID FOR AUSTRALIA?

Sydney, November 29.
Mr. R. T. Casey, President of the Liberal Party of Australia, said today that Australia would have to double her population in the next generation if we are to remain in undisputed possession of this country.

Telling the Australian-American Liberal Association that large-scale American financial aid would be necessary if Australia was to embark on a vast programme of expansion required for her retention of the country, he said: "Our grossly underpopulated continent causes strain to Asiatic nations who regard us as a mere sprinkling in a vast land."

"Our objective should be to double our population in a generation. Our migration programme provides for 70,000 a year. This should be stepped up to 200,000 a year."

Mr. Casey expressed the hope that Marshall aid would be extended to Australia. —Reuter.

at present directly affected by the progress of the civil war—an attitude hitherto not assumed. The tendency here is that, though foreigners have been sympathetic to the Nationalist cause, they have not been participants in the Chinese civil war.

The destruction of the installations at Chinwangtao and the threat to pursue similar tactics elsewhere brings to the foreground the merits of foreign neutrality.

The evacuation of North China may take on an entirely different complexion if this neutrality—involving the respect for foreign property—ceases to be respected. Reliable sources reported this morning that the biggest bridge along the East Peiping-Mukden railway, across the Lan River, had also been destroyed.

The relative shallowness of this river does not give the bridge much importance in the prevention of the Communist onrush.

Fear For Mines

This has added to the fear that General Fu Tso-yi's "scorched earth policy" for all North China will mean that its cities and mines are to suffer the same fate as Chinwangtao.

Tientsin's dependence upon the Kailan Mining Administration must be overemphasized. Most of this city's water comes from artesian wells pumped by coal-driven machinery. To destroy the Tongshan mines would automatically seal Tientsin's fate.

The Mayor of Tongshan, Mr. Yu Kuo-chien, interviewed General Fu Tso-yi this afternoon in connection with the mining area's precarious situation. He told reporters afterwards that all was quiet on the outskirts of Tongshan.

Simultaneously, Chinese press reports said the main body of Lan River's Communist forces were located in hilly regions immediately outskirts—Reuter.

CULTURE FOR MIDDLE EAST

Beirut, November 29.
The mixed Committee for Foreign Relations of the United Nations Educational, Social and Cultural Organisation today agreed to form a Middle East Cultural Liaison Bureau.

It will undertake the exchange of ideas, information and equipment in scientific, literary and philosophical fields between the Middle East and other countries. —Reuter.

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LAST-MINUTE APPEALS BY CONDEMNED JAPS

Washington, November 30.

Two wartime Japanese leaders, condemned to die as war criminals, made an eleventh hour appeal for their lives to the United States Supreme Court on Monday.

The High Court previously turned down similar appeals by Germans convicted at the Nuremberg war crimes trial.

The condemned Japanese concerned are: General Kenji Doihara, 64, nicknamed "bird of evil omen" by Chinese who dreaded his exploits as the Japanese Army's undercover agent in China and Manchuria, former Premier Koki Hirota, 70, who helped to engineer Japan's pre-Pearl Harbour war plans.

Five other Japanese war leaders, including former Premier Hideki Tojo, 63, are also awaiting execution following their conviction by an International Military Tribunal.

Petitions Filed

No appeals were filed on the other five Japanese war-time leaders' behalf. American attorneys for Doihara and Hirota filed petitions asking the Supreme Court to review the sentences of death by hanging.

The attorneys, William Logan, Jr. of New York, and David F. Smith, of Washington, challenged the legality of the trials. They asked that the executions be stayed and hearings be held here.

Appeals on behalf of five other Japanese, who were convicted of war crimes but given only prison sentences, will be filed later, the attorneys said. Court attaches said they assumed the executions of Doihara and Hirota, due to take place some time this week, will be postponed pending a decision by the Supreme Court. General

Others Rejected

The Supreme Court is to meet again on December 6. There was no indication as to when it will act. Court aides said many Germans appealed against their convictions for war crimes and in all cases the Supreme Court turned them down.

Similarly, the court rejected appeals in the cases of two other Japanese war leaders sentenced to death—General Masaharu Homma, Commander of the 14th Japanese Army in the Philippines campaign.

Both were tried and convicted by an American Military Commission. When their appeals failed, they were executed.—Associated Press.

THIRD YUGOSLAV ANNIVERSARY

Belgrade, November 29.
Marshal Tito ordered 12 salutes from 50 guns to be fired today in Belgrade on the eve of the third anniversary of the proclamation of the Yugoslav Republic.

Ten salutes from 20 guns were to be fired in Zagreb, Sarajevo, Ljubljana, Skopje and Cetinje. —Reuter.

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tions were almost unendurable. The road depended daily, so lining all operations to the roads, long stretches of which practically disintegrated. Winter cold was already descending upon the Tunisian highlands. The business of supplies and ammunition was a Herculean task. In spite of all this, and in spite of Anderson's lack of strength—his whole force numbered only about three brigades of infantry and a brigade of obsolescent tanks—the push on through Souk-el-Khemis, Beja, and finally reached a point from which he could look down into the outskirts of Tunis.

Day by day, following the first contact, fighting grew more bitter, more stubborn, more difficult, and the enemy was more rapidly reinforced than we were our own troops.

Very early I determined to take whatever additional risks might be involved in weakening our rear in order to strengthen Anderson. Shortage of transport prevented anything but movement by drabets—and the inherent dangers of such reinforcement were underlined by the ravages of the enemy.

There was no lack of advisers to warn me concerning public reaction to "disintegration" of the American Army. "How," I was often asked, "did Pershing make his reputation in World War I?" What such advisers did not recall was Pershing's famous remark when stark crisis faced the Allies in March 1918. "At that time, realizing the size of the stakes, the postponed integration of an American Army and said to Foch, 'Every man, every gun, everything we have is yours to use as you see fit.' I felt that here in Tunisia, on a small scale, we had a glowing opportunity comparable to the crisis of 1918, and I was quite willing to take all the criticism if only the Allied forces could turn over Tunis to our people as a New Year's present."

The gamble was great but the prize was such a glittering one that we abandoned caution in an effort to bring up to General Anderson every available fighting man in the theatre. There still existed the fear that the German might thrust air forces down across the Pyrenees into Spain, to attack us from the rear. Nevertheless, as a beginning, the American air forces were directed to move as far to the Eastward as possible to join in the air battle in support of General Anderson and to assist in cutting Axis sea communications between Tunis and Italy. This was a definite change from the preconceived plan to retain the United States air forces in the Western end of the Mediterranean. The move brought them into close proximity to the British air forces and created a need for daily coordination.

I had left General Spaatz in England and now I called him forward to take on this particular task. We merely improvised controlling machinery and gave General Spaatz the title of "Acting Deputy Commander in Chief for Air." Initially, the commander of the American Air Force in North Africa was Major General James Doolittle, who had sprung into fame as the leader of the raid on Tokyo. He was a dynamic personality and a bundle of energy. It took him time to reconcile himself to shouldering his responsibilities as the senior United States air commander for the exclusion of opportunity for going out to fly a fighter plane against the enemy. But he had the priceless quality of learning from experience. He became one of our really fine commanders.

All during late November and early December the piecemeal process of reinforcing our Eastern lines, principally by American troops, went on. Because of the critical nature of the day-by-day fighting and the lack of transport we could not wait to bring up any large unit as an entity nor could we wait to assemble such units before committing

them to action. If we should fail to take Tunis we would suffer severely for this procedure. But General Anderson was given positive orders to use everything possible to gain his objective before the increasingly bad weather and the Axis reinforcements should compel us to settle down to a long winter campaign in such uninviting and inhospitable circumstances.

From Oron we brought up elements of the U. S. 1st Armoured Division and part of the 1st Infantry Division. The U. S. 34th Division was distributed along the line of communication to protect critical points and to make sure of the security of the vast areas in which we were otherwise completely defenceless. We could use Allied troops for this purpose only on the most vital points, and as the enemy quickly resorted to a system of sabotage by night landing of paratroopers we were forced to rely on French contingents to protect hundreds of culverts, bridges, tunnels, and similar places where a few determined men could have inflicted almost decisive damage upon our lines of communication.

Courage, resourcefulness, and endurance, though daily displayed in overwhelming measure, could not completely overcome the combination of enemy weather, terrain. In early December the enemy was strong enough in mechanized units to begin local but sharp counterattacks and we were forced back from our most forward positions in front of Tunis.

As soon as we ceased attacking, the situation in northern Tunisia turned blank for us, even from a defensive standpoint. Through a blunder during a local withdrawal we had lost the bulk of the equipment of U. S. Combat Command B, part of the 1st Armoured Division. The 18th Infantry of the U. S. 1st Infantry Division took severe losses, and practically an entire battalion of a fine British regiment was wiped out. General Anderson soon thought he would have to give up Medjez-el-Bab, a road centre and a junction point with the French forces on his right. Since this spot was the key to our re-summation of the offensive when we should get the necessary strength, I forbade this move—assuming personal responsibility for the fate of its garrison and upon the safety of the command.

We were still attempting to mount an attack of our own. Work continued 24 hours a day to build up the strength that we believed would, with some temporary improvement in the weather, give us a good fighting chance to capture North Eastern Tunisia before all operations were hopelessly bogged down. December 24 was chosen as the date for our final and most ambitious attack. Our great hope for success lay in our temporary advantage in artillery, which was relatively great. But reports from the Tunisian front were discouraging; the weather, instead of improving, continued to deteriorate. Prospects for mounting another attack grew darker.

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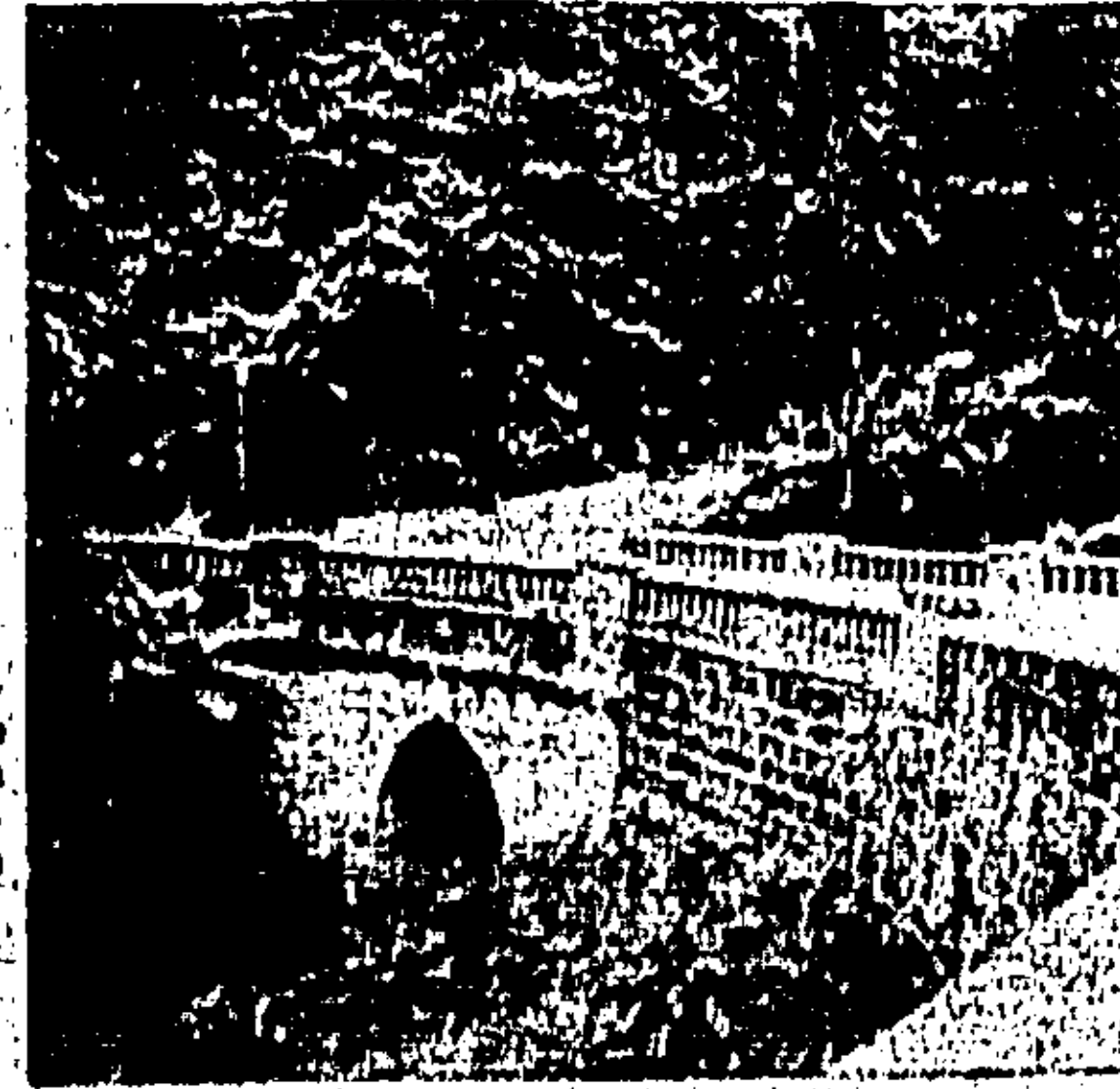
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THE ISHMAELITES

Banished to the pavements, the shop doorways, the rooftop huts and the squatters' settlements in Hong Kong are the poor from China and the underprivileged indigenous population. From time to time the offending sleepers are carted away by the police from the eyes of well-dressed Europeans on a night out, to spend a few hours in gaol before being warned of the criminality of poverty, but the only steps taken remind the disinterested observer of Catherine the Great's sham happy villages of lath and plaster along the routes she might possibly ride in her carriage.

The abruptly fierce fire which wiped out 300 wooden huts on the old Queen's College site in Hollywood Road on Monday afternoon is the second major blaze in these congested hotel settlements within a week—the worst of several recent tragedies. Months ago the "China Mail" made careful investigations into these camps, warned of the dangers of disease, insanitation and fire. Our reporters exposed the "abandonment" of bombed sites by owners who preferred to leave them idle than jeopardise capital in unsatisfactory investment—while their legal pledges were left unfulfilled, and ignored by a Government which apparently believed in the absolute sanctity of capital and profits, no matter what human misery might ensue.

The obvious exhortation was made—that Government go into the housing business itself, in spite of the understandable objection in a relatively free trading community such as Hong Kong to interference in business affairs. The suggestion was received in cold silence by the authorities, and no more of that was heard until the apologetic and shame-faced facts about the Leighton Hill flats (for civil servants only) began to impinge on a startled public. It was realised then that while Government employees, with their high cost of living allowance, must be housed semi-free at all costs, the underpaid European in a business office, the Eurasian and the increasing Chinese population would have to wait for the normal ebb and flow of free enterprise to provide him with a bed and roof.

But to return to the squatters. We are well aware of the almost impossibility of catering for the inflow of Chinese across the open border and by sea—an ingress which will inevitably increase with snowball velocity as the civil war worsens. If official policy remains the same, however, and no bar is made to entry, are the unfortunate to be allowed to live in a British colony as they did in Mukden at the depth of that city's despair? Are they to erect glimmering huddles of death-trap shacks for the protection of their families with neither ban nor help from our authorities?

The old policy of muddling through will just not do in the Hong Kong of 1948. By an announcement of November 20, the very site which was burned out on Monday, was liable to have been condemned by the Police, the Urban Council or the Medical Department. No action was taken, despite the warning of other holocausts, any one of which might have taken a hundred lives. It is, however, no use wiping out half a thousand huts unless some kind of decent and safe al-

The third major problem was the weather. Unseasonable rains soon overtook us, and since none of the scattered air strips that we had hoped to use boasted of a paved runway, our small air forces were handicapped and for days at a stretch were rendered almost completely helpless. The enemy was far better situated, since his large fields at Bizerte and Tunis were suitable for operations in all kinds of weather.

The next disadvantage was the proximity of the Tunisia area to the Axis forces in Sicily and Italy. The day after we began our landings in North West Africa the Axis started pouring troops into Tunisia, and they were reinforcing rapidly. Another difficulty was the determined attitude of the French forces lying in the area between Constantine and Tunis. These were commanded by General Barre, and at the time General Anderson began his advance it was not known whether these forces and the local population would actively oppose him, would be neutral, or would co-operate with him in his advance toward Tunisia.

Under these conditions only a thoroughly loyal and bold commander would have undertaken without protest the operation that General Anderson was called upon to carry out. In response to my urgent orders he began the campaign on November 11 as soon as he put foot on shore.

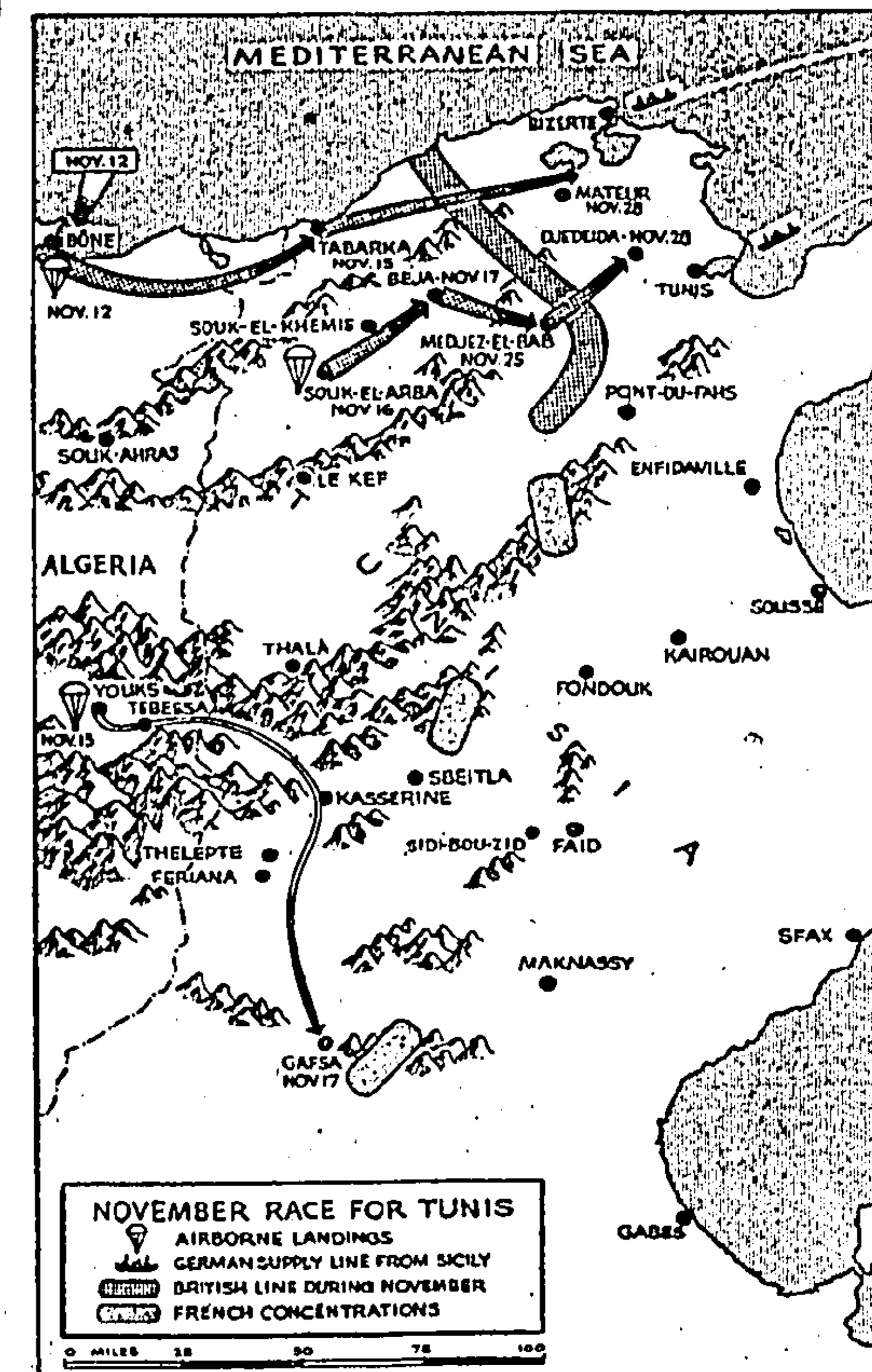
Remembering that General Anderson and his troops were almost exclusively British, it has always seemed to me remarkable that he uttered not a single word of protest in answer to the bold order from an American. He was a true ally—and a courageous fighter. From Algiers he started his forces Eastward by land and sea and in a series of rapid movements took the ports of Djidjelli, Philippeville, and Bone, at the time moving further inland to seize the towns of Setif and Constantine. Axis air and submarine action both took a constant toll of our shipping and caused material damage in the small harbours we were able to seize, but there was never any hesitation on the part of the Navy, under Admiral Cunningham, fully to support the operations, nor on the part of General Anderson to continue his advance in spite of these threats. From the general region of Bone and Constantine the British First Army kept pushing Eastward through Souk-Ahras and Souk-el-Arba, where they made the first contacts with Axis ground forces.

When I transferred headquarters from Gibraltar to Algiers on November 23, I took advantage of the journey to begin inspections of our troops and facilities. At the time our airfield camp squatted up against conditions that were to plague us throughout that bitter winter. We landed on a hard-surfaced strip but then could not taxi a foot off the runway because of the bottomless mud. A huge tractor appeared and, with men placing great planks under the wheels of our Fortress, pulled us off a few yards so that incoming craft would still be able to land. Tactical operations were at a standstill so I spent the morning inquiring into problems of supply, housing, and food. It was on that occasion that I first met Lieutenant Colonel Lauris Norstad, a young officer who so impressed me by his alertness, grasp of problems, and personality that I never thereafter lost sight of him. He was and is one of those rare men whose capacity knows no limit.

On arriving at Algiers that evening I found that previously issued orders to support Anderson's British army with whatever American contingents could be brought up to him from the Oran area were not clearly understood nor vigorously executed. In the office when I arrived was Brigadier General Lunsford E. Oliver, commander of Combat Command B, part of the U. S. 34th Armoured Division. He had made a reconnaissance to the front, had determined that railway communications were inadequate to get him to the battle area properly, and was seeking permission to march over the desert command in half-tracks. Over the seven hundred miles between Oran and Souk-el-Arba, the staff officer to whom he was appealing was well informed as to the characteristics of the half-tracks and refused permission on the ground that the march would consume half of the useful life of the vehicle!

The young staff officer was not to blame for this extraordinary attitude. He had been trained sedulously, through years of peace, in the eternal need for economy, for avoiding waste. Peace-time training was possible, no one would know, only when the need would be inconsequential. He had not yet accepted the real harshness of war, he did

ternative accommodation is provided. And in face of such a potential emergency as faces Hong Kong, it is no use saying—before changing wearily for the cocktail party—that the problem is too large to face.



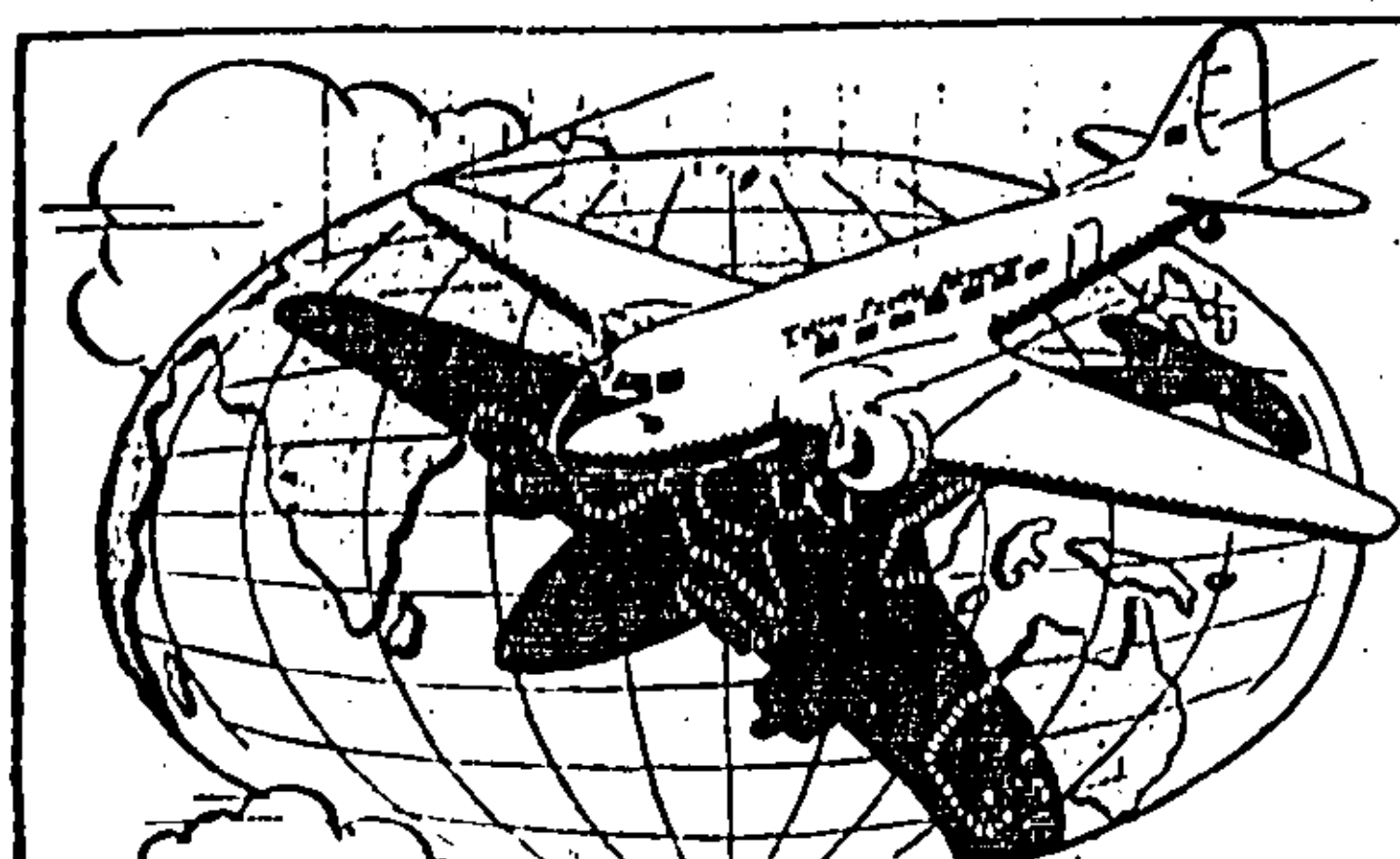
lowering one Algiers was bombed incessantly. No great numbers of the Luftwaffe came over at any one time but the continuous air trade soon showed plainly in the faces of headquarters personnel. The principal targets were the ships in the harbor, a quarter of a mile below our hotel but bombs landing in the city caused some casualties and abundant consternation.

Our air defences were only slowly developed, one of the ships was lost to enemy submarines had been carrying most of the warning and control equipment vital to fighter defence. But by the end of the month we had partially corrected the deficiencies, and after the Luftwaffe had abandoned its attacks against our principal ports except for attempted sneak and surprise attacks. One night we got unmistakable proof that the enemy's bombing crews had developed a healthy respect for the quality of our defences. We intercepted a radio report from the commander of a bombing squadron to his home base. He said, "Bombs dropped on Algiers as ordered." But we knew he had dropped his bombs 30 miles out to sea because we had a plane in contact with him at the time. This evidence of weakening enemy morale

he was ready to stake his chances on it. Truck drivers, engineers, artillerymen, and even the infantrymen in the forward areas had constantly to be watchful. Their dislike of the situation was reflected in the constant plaint, "Where is this bloody Air Force of ours? Why do we see nothing but Heines?" When the enemy has a superiority the ground forces never hesitate to curse the "aviators."

Clark and I found Anderson beyond Souk-Ahras, and forward of that place we entered zone where all around us was evidence of incessant and hard fighting. Every conversation along the roadside brought out astounding exaggerations. "Beja has been bombed to rubble." "No one can live on this stretch of road." "Our troops will surely have to retreat; humans cannot exist in these conditions." Yet on the whole morale was good. The exaggerations were nothing more than the desire of the individual to convey the thought that he had been through the ultimate in terror and destruction—he had no thought of clearing out himself.

Troops and commanders were not experienced, but the boldness, courage and stamina of General Anderson's forces could not have been exceeded by the most battle-wise veterans. Physical condi-



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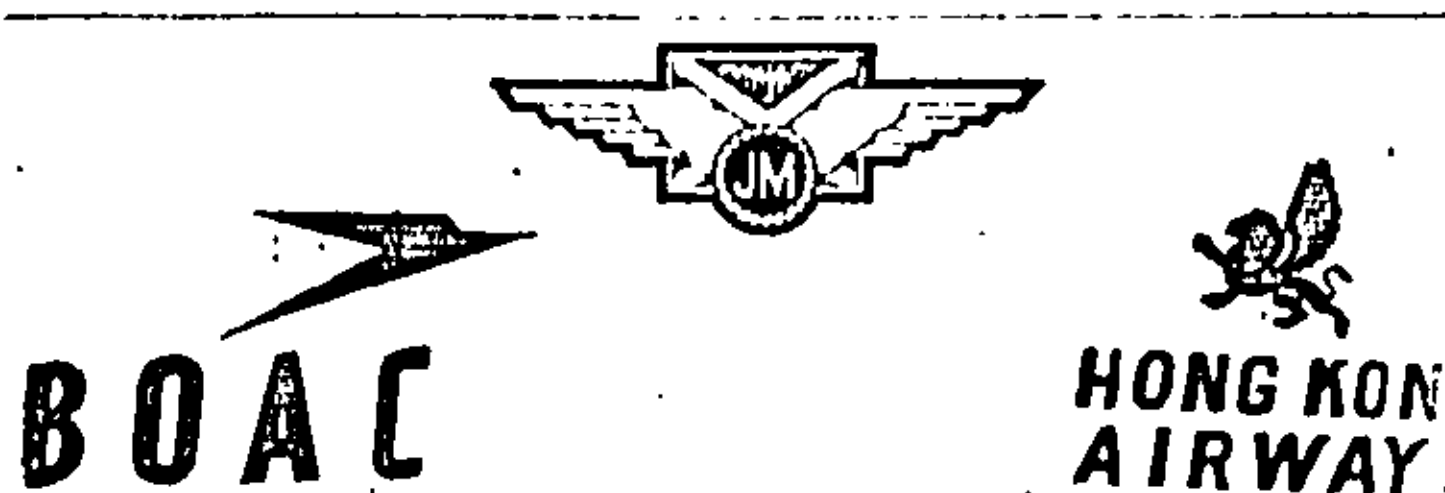
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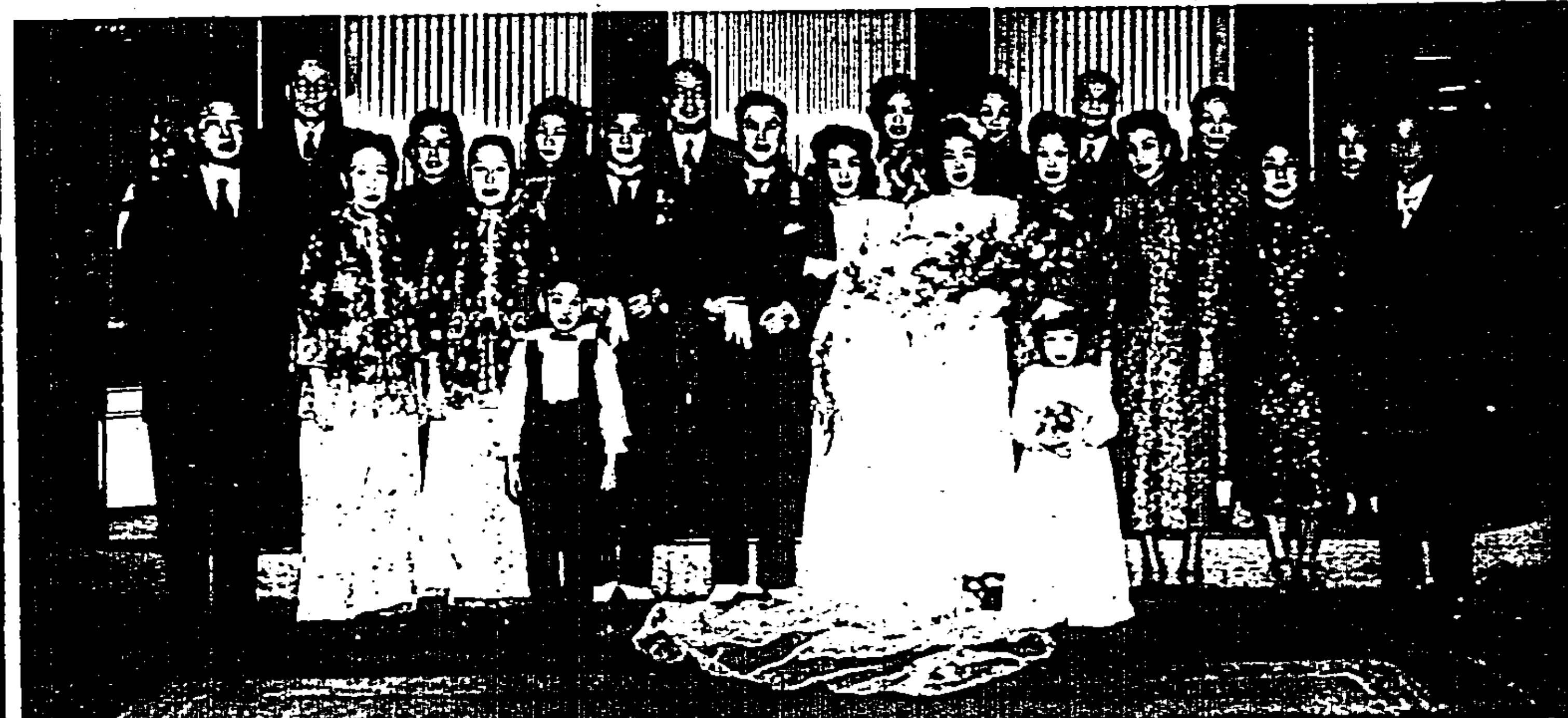
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STUDENTS VISIT "MODEL CITY"

Hong Kong is a model city to Salsian students who come here recently on a type of "good neighbor" visit to find out general conditions in the colony and compare them with those in Macao.

Some of the 400 Macao students, including 200 Boy Scouts who arrived here on Thursday for a three-day informal educational visit. (China Mail photo)

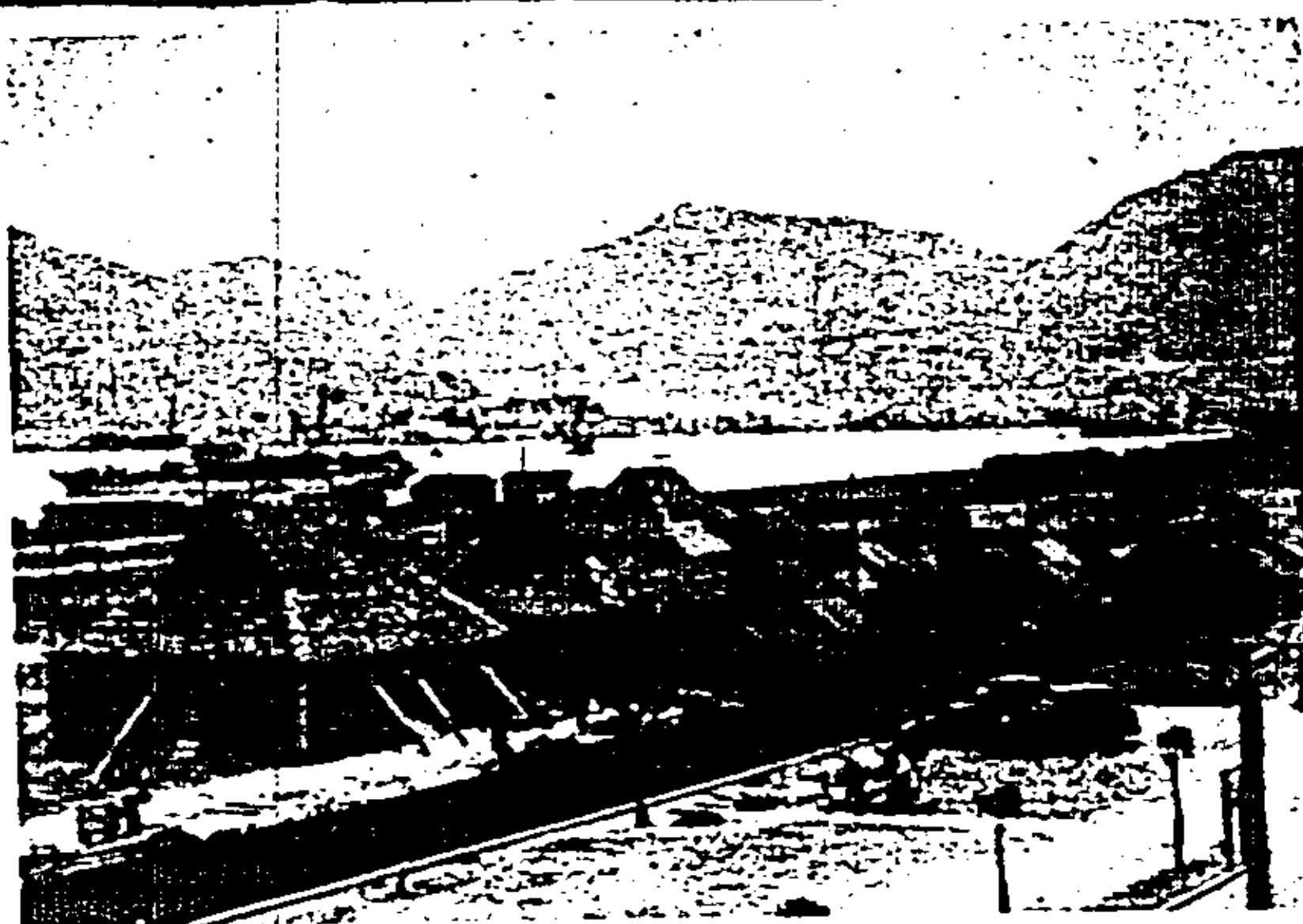


Another group of Macao students leaving the S.S. Cheung Hing for their visit which was sponsored by Dr. Pedro Lobo, Director of Economics (Macao) and well-known philanthropist. (China Mail photo)

Some of the Boy Scouts in the group get their first glimpse from the ship of what, to them, is a model city. (China Mail photo)



The Governor Sir Alexander Grantham, opening the first annual exhibition of the Hong Kong Art Club in St. John's Cathedral hall. Lady Grantham is seated beside him. (China Mail photo)



Refugees from Shanghai will find temporary homes in this camp being built in Chatham Road, opposite Granville Road, Kowloon. (China Mail photo)



Lady Grantham inspecting a bust of Bernard Shaw at the annual exhibition of the Hong Kong Art Club. She is accompanied by the artist Mrs. K. Bornerman. (China Mail photo)

MORE BABY COMPETITION ENTRIES.



ICY SMOTHER STILL BLINDS FIVE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

**Airlift Ceases, Airports Idle
And Packets Work By Radar**

London, November 29.

Thick fog with icy temperatures still blanketed five countries of Europe today, paralysing transport, delaying once more the sailing of the transatlantic liner, the Queen Elizabeth, and impeding the airlift to Berlin.

For Britons, it was the third day of disrupted train services and slowed road traffic—and there was no sign of an immediate change. Weather experts expect the fog to last several days more.

Fog Fatal To Turkeys

London, November 29.

The happiest men in England today are black market thieves who find the fog a perfect cover to loot farms of turkeys and other poultry for the Christmas sales. Always active when Christmas approaches, the turkey "rustlers" have taken advantage of the country's worst fog for many years to make an early start.

Although farmers have been taking precautions against thefts at a time when the strictly rationed poultry supply is never enough to meet the demand, the fog baffled the best defences and armed guards and dogs are powerless to cope with the raiders. —Reuter.

Yugoslavia Celebrates Republic Foundation

Belgrade, November 29.

Torchlight processions along flag-bedecked streets and booming guns marked the fifth anniversary today of the foundation at Jajce, a small township in the Bosnian Mountains, of the Federated Republic of Yugoslavia.

Marshal Josip Tito, who made Jajce a centre for sorties against the Nazi occupiers, was tonight giving an anniversary reception in Belgrade's former Royal Palace. The Marshal, at a gala concert at the Belgrade Opera House last night, heard the Deputy Chairman of the Presidium, M. Moshe Plesner, recall that Britain was the first nation officially to recognise his movement, followed by the United States and the Soviet Union. Cabinet Ministers and the Diplomatic Corps, including the British, American and Soviet Ambassadors, were present.

Today's celebrations, the first since Yugoslavia broke with the Cominform, followed a week of unusually frank statements by Yugoslav leaders.

Marshal Tito told his people that they must tighten their belts and readjust the five-year plan because things had not gone as well as had been anticipated, partly owing to lack of co-operation from the Soviet Union and the Cominform countries and because of Yugoslavia's own mistakes.

Independent Line

In a speech at Zagreb last week, Marshal Tito had told Communist Party members that they were in danger of losing the confidence of the people because they were thinking too much of plans and blueprints and targets and not enough of the needs and opinions of the ordinary folk.

The Foreign Minister and Communist leader, M. Eduard

The "blackout" affected all forms of travel—London and South-East England were the hardest hit—and many thousands of workers arrived late for work this morning.

Main line expresses from North England and Scotland were up to two hours late arriving in London.

Eastern Britain, from the Scottish border to the South Coast, was cloaked in a mantle of fog and the sailing of the world's largest liner, the 33,500-ton Queen Elizabeth, was postponed again.

Airlift Grounded

Hundreds of ships were anchored fogbound in the river Thames, including 60 colliers attempting to carry coal upriver to London. Over 600 passengers waiting in France to join the Queen Elizabeth were sent back to their Paris hotels today when they went to St. Lazare station to catch the Cherbourg boat train.

The pall of fog stretched across Europe as far as Vienna. Most British European Airways services to the Continent were cancelled and Royal Air Force planes, on the Berlin airlift, were grounded in Britain.

The airlift was halted completely this afternoon when fog closed down over the German capital, which has been in a pocket of fair weather earlier in the day.

In the morning, Gatow Airport was closed, as it has been since midnight on Saturday, but planes were being brought into the American-controlled Tempelhof Airport by radio.

Airports Idle

The new terminal at Tegel, in the French sector of the German capital, stopped receiving planes early in the morning.

Orly and Le Bourget Airports at Paris were almost idle. Airline services from Brussels to London, Paris, Prague, and Zurich were cancelled this morning.

Sola Airfield at Stavanger has at times been the only airfield in Northern Europe where aircraft have landed during the past two days.

Twenty-eight transatlantic flights from New York to Britain have been held up. Foreign airline planes were stranded at Northolt, northwest of London, which was completely fogbound.

British European Airways had to cancel 17 planes' flights. Hurn Airport, Hampshire, became fog-bound soon after noon. Four incoming planes were re-directed—three back to French airports and one to Prestwick, Scotland.

Fog thickened over the Scheldt Estuary during day, and paralyzing vessels at Antwerp. The only Dutch transport running normally was the Hoek of Holland to Harwich steamship line, which was operated by radar.

The fog caused roads in Holland to become almost unusable to traffic after three days of hard frost. Country-wide dislocation of traffic was reported. —Reuter.

PROGRAMME OF RELEASES

London, November 29.

The Ministry of Labour and the National Service has published a provisional programme of releases from the Armed Forces from December 15 to March 21, 1949.

The total releases in all services will be about 98,100. —Reuter.

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King Spending Most Of His Time In Bed

London, November 29.

It was learned tonight that King George, despite an official "general improvement" bulletin today, is now spending most of his time in bed. His doctors think such complete rest important. While taking this maximum rest the King continues to carry on with his usual correspondence, State documents and other papers in the usual way.

The Queen spends a great part of each day with him.

Court Reporter Louis Wolff said tonight that he had good medical authority for stating that the King had received neither massage nor electric treatment. His doctors were keeping him under close and regular observation, but there is no indication when they might issue another bulletin. —Reuter.

Cassino Monks Rebuild Their Bombed Monastery

Cassino, November 29.

Stone by grey, granite stone, the tireless monks on top of Monte Cassino are today rebuilding for the fourth time the most famous monastery in Christendom, destroyed through what they insist was a "ghastly mistake" of American air-men.

"The excuse given for the bombing of our monastery was that the Germans were using it for an artillery observation post," explained the quiet monks. "There were no Germans at the monastery. The nearest German to the monastery was a single soldier who lived in a cave 20 meters down the hill from the southeast corner."

"But in the bombardment more than 500 innocent civilian refugees were killed. We brought 370 bottles from the rubble of that corner alone, and they pointed to a cleared area which had once been a convent but which now resembled a market place."

Lack Of Funds

"If we had funds we could rebuild the monastery in eight or nine years. But now the work has almost stopped. We have no more funds. By working sporadically as we must, it may take 15 years or more."

"But," they shrug their patient shoulders, "it has been rebuilt three times before. We can do it again."

The monastery of Monte Cassino and the village of Cassino on the side of the mountain below it were of vital importance for the Allied armies smashing their way up Italy from the South.

These two points guarded the entrance to the Liri River valley, which could serve as a 75-mile-long, wide and smooth avenue to Rome and the North. The Germans defended the village and the mountain tenaciously and the Allies hammered them unmercifully.

In mid-February, the Allies sent 1,000 bombers against Cassino and the monastery on the hilltop above it, in the greatest air raid ever launched against so small a target.

RUSSIA ACCEPTS NEW FORMULA FOR BERLIN

Paris, November 30.

Russia on Monday night accepted a new formula by the neutral nations of the United Nations Security Council for mediating the big-four deadlock on Berlin.

Argentine Foreign Minister, Dr. Juan A. Bramuglia, a leader in the mediation efforts, said the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Y. Vishinsky, agreed to the plan at a meeting with him. It calls for the naming of a "neutral" commission of currency experts.

Earlier the United States, Britain and France gave approval in principle to the proposal. Dr. Bramuglia told a reporter he expects to get formal acceptance from the three Western powers on Tuesday and that he hopes the new mediation effort can get underway immediately.

Lift Of Blockade

The Western powers withheld formal acceptance until their home governments had seen the draft of the plan. Dr. Bramuglia said he plans to appoint the commission as he receives the expected favourable Western replies.

The new formula of the neutrals—China, Colombia, Syria, Canada, Argentina and Belgium—is aimed at meeting Western objections to talks on the currency issue under the threat of the Soviet blockade of Berlin.

Details of the formula have not been disclosed, but it is known to include provisions for a commission of experts to try to unravel the Berlin currency problem in consultation with the big-four's own experts. The plan would recommend a complete and final lifting of the Berlin blockade at the same time the Soviet zone mark is introduced in Berlin as the sole currency.

Previous Agreement

The four powers agreed on the use of the Soviet mark last August 30 but became entangled in a dispute over when the measure should take effect and what kind of currency controls should be established.

Under the new formula, the currency experts would be given several weeks to draw up a complete set of assurances and guarantees, both for the Western powers and for Russia, on the currency deal. The Security Council would not be called upon to discuss the Berlin problem until the experts had reached an agreement or until their conclusions were rejected by the parties to the dispute. —Associated Press.

"The Houseboat" Remains In Southampton

Southampton, England,

November 30.

The liner, Queen Elizabeth, bedevilled by weather and strikes, postponed departure for New York for the sixth time on Monday because of the fog.

The 1,600 passengers, most of whom have been on board since a week ago, received news of the delay with resignation on Saturday. The Queen Elizabeth was originally due to leave on November 17.

Visibility was less than 150 yards when Captain C. M. Ford announced the postponement. Next high tide on which the Queen Elizabeth can get away will be at 9.30 a.m. GMT on Tuesday.

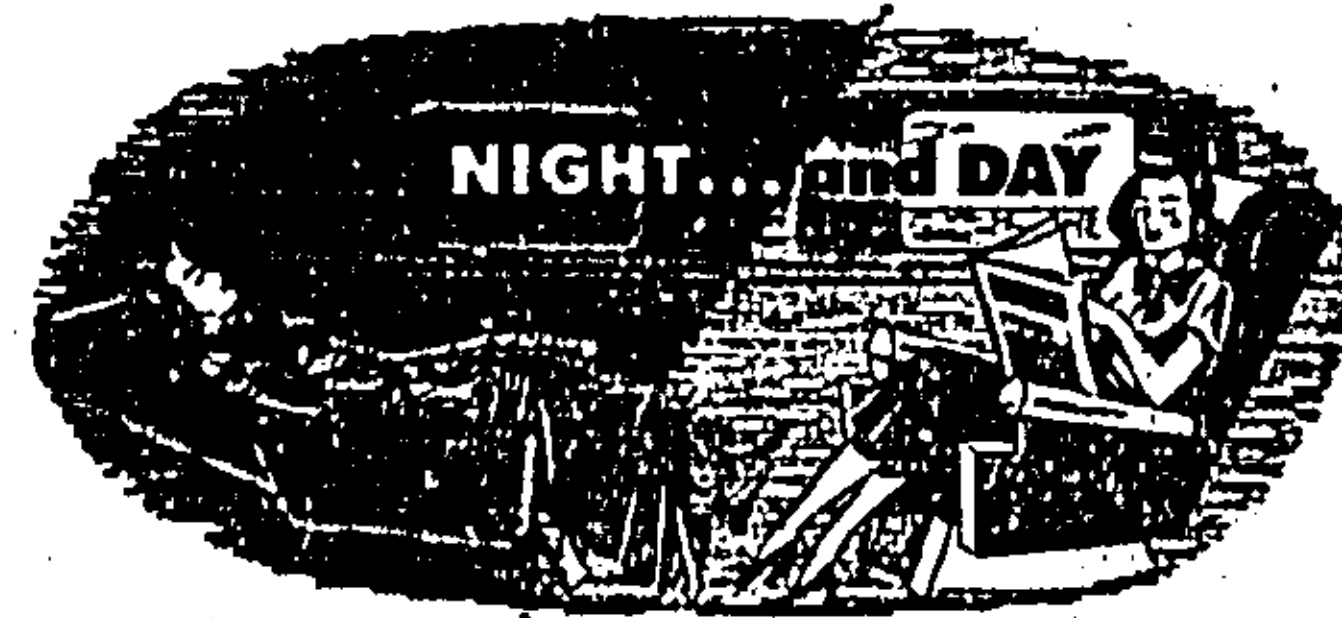
Harbour pilot Captain George Somerwell said: "There was never any chance of getting the Queen Elizabeth away this (Monday) morning."

Certain that they could not get away for another 24 hours, many of the passengers went ashore for the day. They had a new description for the giant ship. Previously they called her a "floating hotel." On Monday they changed it to "the houseboat." —The Monk simply.—United Press. Associated Press.



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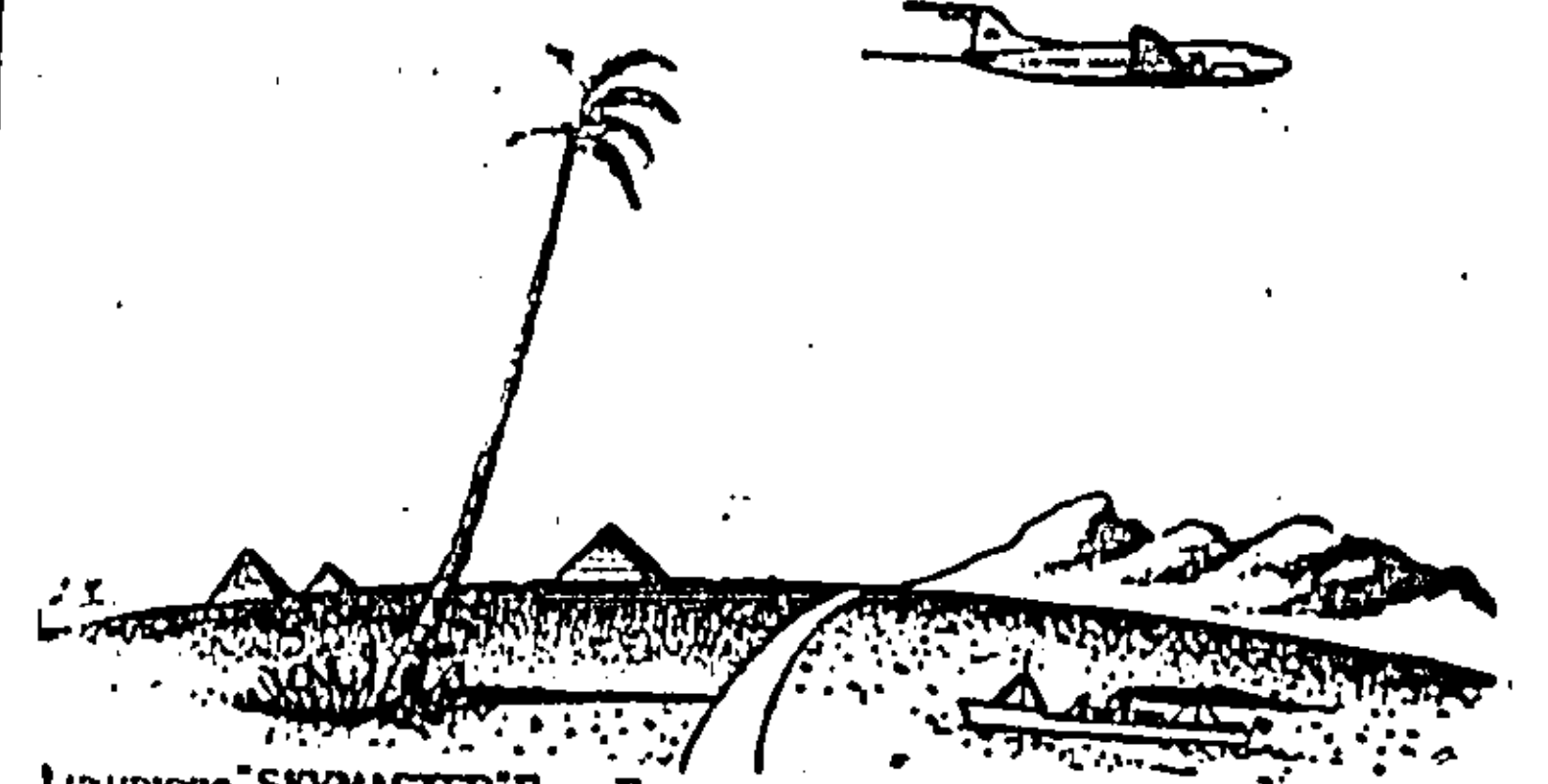
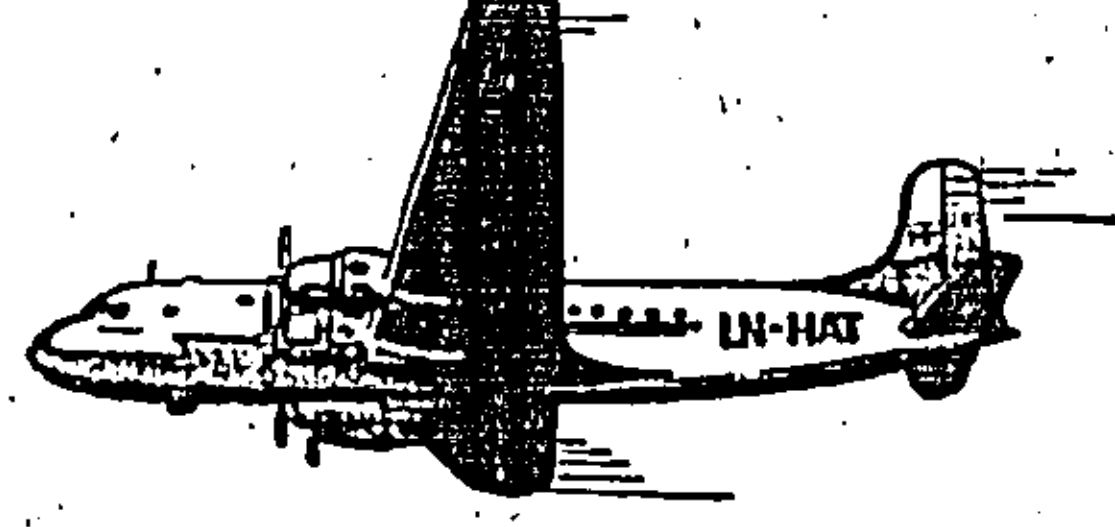
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PARIS MODELS AT £3 EACH

MRS. ATTLEE clapped with a delighted audience of 200 other women at the Dorchester as mannequins showed off Paris "models" which will sell at from £3-£21 in British shops next year.

Designer Jean Gaumont-Lanvin, first top-flight French couturier to ally himself with a big British manufacturer, introduced the show himself.

Nominal a British firm buys a few models from various Paris houses each season at £90-£130 a time—an expensive business which means expensive copies in London's shops.

New Lanvin and one British firm have agreed to share designs and profits, with no original outlay for models.

Manufacturer can make, at Utility prices, coats, suits, and dresses incorporating a Parisian flair for detail and trimming, styled in the very latest fashion. Board of Trade is "very interested" and a big store "most impressed."

Joya Bogg.



Utility suit in plain and flack wool, and a moss crepe dress. Both are Valmajor models styled by Paris and made in London.

Fashion Notes From Britain

Autumn hats in London are head-hugging and sleek. Even when they tend to width, as in dark brown corded silk "casquette" by Rodolph, the effect is to form a frame for the face. This type of hat, too, emphasises the importance of the new style of hairdressing which is dressed close to the head with a sweep of hair concealing the ear and brought forward on the cheek.

The same may be said of the new type of cloche which has width at the sides while being shallow in the crown; it is worn slightly tilted back from the forehead, and only a little of black hair is visible.

Evening modes for 1946 in London suggest a restrained luxury. The off-shoulders line has not yet been superseded for dresses designed for important occasions, although the more modest dinner dresses show the neck covered to the nape at the back, an effect offset by a low décolletage. The ballerina skirt is also engaging attention and in the Peter Russell collection it is transformed into a series called "dinner out" made in rich Duchess satin with low-cut flitting bodies and full skirts. These point to a new dividing line between the evening gown proper and a type of dress which will be easy to manage, while being properly romantic in feeling, with skirt swinging short of the ankle and a décolletage which looks charming in a restaurant or at the theatre.

Leading lingerie designers in London report an increased volume of interest this year by foreign buyers. This may be because London has achieved an attractive compromise between simplicity and elaboration, stressed by a tailored line which perfectly suits modern conditions.

Fairly heavy materials are preferred, as a rule, with satins, printed or plain, and crepes which hang well leading in popularity. But chiffons are skillfully handled, in the Howard Henry collection, for example, chiffon is used for

a negligee-cum-housecoat in a way which gives it a pliant air of severity. The full skirt has a lace ruffa trimming over a deep pleated hem; the sleeves are pleated to match, and a tailored collar has a lace ruffled edge; a final touch are the velvet bows placed at intervals round the hem of the skirt.

It looks as though the high shoe or short boot, popular in the mid-nineteenth century, may stage a serious "come-back" in London. It was originally invented because it looked coquettish under a long, wide sweeping skirt which was the forerunner of the crinoline, and its life continued until well into the late seventies.

We do not talk of being coquettish today but designers talk seriously of the chic of the little satin boots and the detachable "spats" they have shown in the collections—the "spat" being slipped over an ordinary court shoe and giving it the appearance of a boot.

There are some people who insist that the inches of stocking were rarely visible between the top of the boot and the skirt detracts from any smartness there may be, but whether the idea is to attract masculine gaze to a half-hidden pretty foot (as was the case when they were first worn a hundred years ago) or for mere warmth in cold weather, there is no doubt that women are determined to try them out. When one remembers that in really bad weather fur-lined suede boots are worn by everyone in London who can lay hands on a pair, in spite of the often clumsy appearance they have, one can hardly quibble at a charming little high-heeled boot of suede or satin, even if it looks a little unusual.

But even if the boot does not hold its own in 1946 fashions it will have its influence on shoes. The new evening shoes—designed for wear in the theatre or restaurant—where shoemakers say, there may be draughts—are high enough almost to enclose the ankle although the added inches are often made up with such material as nylon, net or even lace.

Equipment And It's Care

Care of Kitchen Utensils.
Aluminum—Wash with soap and water and scour to remove spots. Dry thoroughly after washing.

Chrome—Wash with soap and water and polish with a dry soft cloth.

Copper—Wash lacquered copper with soap and water and dry thoroughly. Polish unlacquered copper with a copper polish, wash with soap and water and dry thoroughly.

Enamel—Treat as glassware. Glass—Glass made especially for cooking and baking needs little care except washing with soap and water. When spots are hard to remove rub with scouring pads or a fine cleansing powder.

Iron—Wash with soap and water. Avoid scouring. Dry thoroughly after washing.

Monel Metal—Wash with cloth wrung out of soapy water. Do not scour but polish occasionally with a fine cleansing powder.

Nickel—Wash with soap and water. Polish with dry cloth.

Steel—Wash with soap and water and scour to remove spots. Dry thoroughly after washing.

Tin—Wash with soap and water and scour with mild cleansing powder. Tin rusts easily so dry thoroughly after washing.

Wood—Scrap with dull blade and wash with lukewarm water. After removing cooked food from utensils pour hot water into them, cover and set aside to loosen any food that adheres to pan. Do not soak wooden utensils.

Teakettles. Fill with equal parts vinegar and water and heat to boiling. Let stand several hours; scrape off lime deposit.

Types of Teapots.
Enamelware, earthenware, China, Glass, Pottery.

Use a mild scouring material to remove stains from inside of pot. Wash with hot soapy water, rinse with boiling water, drain and dry thoroughly.

Avoid keeping tea in pot for any length of time.

Types of Coffee-pots.
Enamel pot, used to boil or steep coffee.

Percolator, valve or valveless types.

Electric with heating element at the base.

These for use on range.
Drip pot with metal or paper filter.

French coffee blixin. (Earthenware drip with filter.)

Glass coffee maker—siphon or vacuum.

Choose a coffee-pot that is easy to clean.

Care of Coffee-pots.
Use a mild scouring material to remove stains from inside of pot. Wash with hot soapy water, rinse with boiling water, drain and dry thoroughly or boil a solution of baking soda and water in the pot 5 minutes, then rinse in boiling water.

Wash cloth filters in a solution of baking soda and water. Rinse well. If used each day, filters may be kept in a covered glass of cold water. Rinse new filters thoroughly in cold water before using.

Ann Temple Wedding Wisdom

A girl has often only one chance of marriage. Can she afford to ignore material considerations seeing they are so closely connected to comfort and happiness?

On the other hand, dare she marry for love if, though in love, she sees fruits and weaknesses which might cause a lot of trouble?—IN DOUBT

MEANING that if a girl has only one chance she ought to take it whether it's for love or money? Any marriage better than no marriage?

Don't believe it. I give more for the chances of the girl who says, "I won't marry until I find the right man for me and the

sufficiently right material conditions to give our home and family a fair start."

That sort of girl often makes a good late marriage. There are more chances of happy marriages lost by rushing at the first offer than by waiting to be sure.

Both your alternatives are unsound. Marrying for material considerations without love cheats you in the end. The motive itself is punishing and hits back at you in innumerable subtle ways.

Marrying for love alone in the hope that love will overcome realistic disadvantages is usually a tragic business. Love does not succeed where discipline and common sense and responsibility are flung to the four winds.

Marry for happiness — when the head and the heart are working together.

I should be very grateful if you could give me one of those sentences that are used for improving diction. I want one that brings my voice forward and one for the "uh" sound.—F.

THY for (1) "The tip of the tongue and the teeth" or "The seething sea ceaseth and it suffecth me."

For (2) "He thrust 3,000 thistles through the thick of his thumb."

A man whom I admire very much is ill in hospital. Would it be all right for me to send him flowers? I was thinking of red roses. I've no motive in this regard, admiration and friendship. I wouldn't like more to be read into it than that. Could it be taken for more?—SYB.

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Recipes

Apple Doughboys.

Three or four apples, of equal size, sliced thin, raspberry jam, castor sugar.

Peel, core and cut the apples into rounds. Make the pastry. Roll out thinly and cut in 6 rounds a little larger than the apples, making two as many rounds as there are apple slices.

Place each piece of apple on a piece of pastry. Fill the centre with raspberry jam and sprinkle with sugar. Moisten the edges of the pastry with milk and cover with a second round of

bread. Bake in a hot oven, 10 to 15 minutes. Sprinkle the top with castor sugar.

Autumn Casserole.
Six ripe tomatoes, four hard-boiled eggs, one tablespoon shortening, one tablespoon flour, 1 teaspoon salt, pepper, 1½ cups milk, two tablespoons grated cheese, browned breadcrumbs.

Cut the eggs into halves or slices, and arrange around the sides of a greased platter. Peel



Details which you can adapt from the London collections include this neat cap-and-searf trick by Adele of London. Capes of all lengths are important this season.

and slice the tomatoes. Place in the centre of the dish and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Make the white sauce with the shortening, flour and milk. Season to taste. Add the cheese and stir over low heat until it is well mixed in. Pour over tomatoes and eggs. Cover with the browned bread-crumbs and bake 20 minutes in a moderate oven.

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BRIBE INQUIRY

MR. BELCHER MAKES
A HUMOROUS REMARK

London, November 29.

The Tribunal enquiring into alleged irregularities in Government departments was told today that the Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, Mr. John Belcher, said to a London company director: "The Labour Government will not last forever" and when it fell someone might "offer me a directorship."

Colonel John Douglas George, Chairman of Aldford House, Limited, said he had met Mr. Belcher at the flat of Sidney Stanley, an alien and the key witness in the enquiry who occupied a flat in Aldford House, an apartment building in London's fashionable Park Lane.

CHINESE VESSEL
ADRIFF NEAR PI

Manila, November 29.

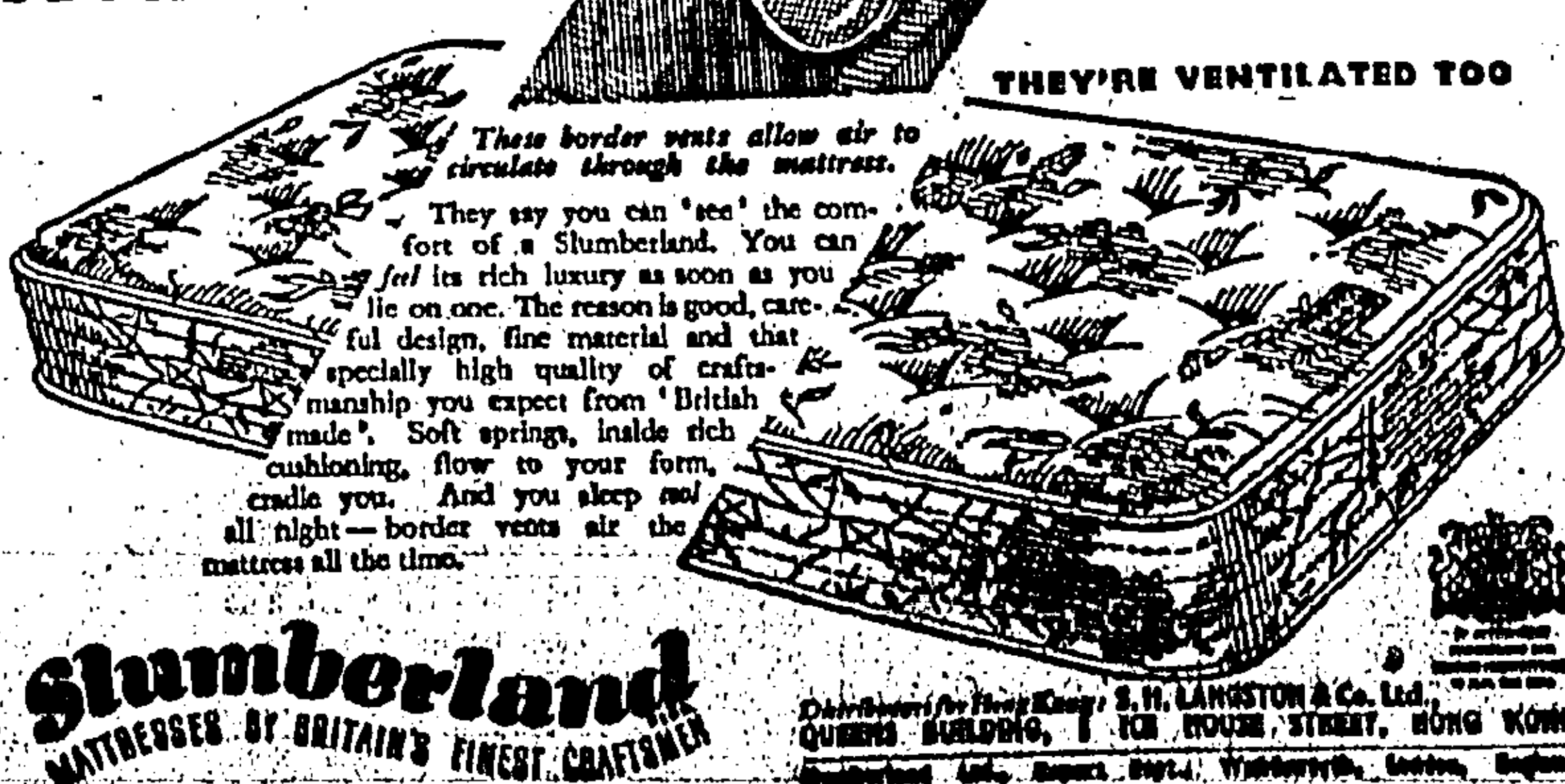
A motor launch with 14 Filipinos aboard, drifted into Manila Bay this morning. The boat's engine broke down, and the crew explained, and winds pushed them South from Taku, about five days before they made a landfall off Manila Bay.

The former UNRRA launch carried the name E. F. Johnson, and from papers submitted by its captain, was operated for the Fishing Rehabilitation Administration of the Chinese Government. The Chinese Legation was asked to speed their return home.—Associated Press.



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"Hirohito Was
Responsible"

Sydney, Australia,

November 30.
Sir William Webb, President of the International Military Tribunal which tried the top Japanese war leaders, said on Tuesday that Emperor Hirohito was directly responsible for the war.

Sir William returned on Monday from Tokyo to resume his work as a member of the Australian High Court. He said Hirohito had acted as if he were a constitutional monarch in accepting advice from his counselors to declare war.

It was for that reason, he added, that he had named Hirohito as a "leader in the crime" of Japan's war criminals, but it was not within the international tribunal's power to have the Emperor brought to trial.—Associated Press.

Japan Bars
Fire Traps

Tokyo, November 29.

Japan today has put legal teeth into its effort to substitute modern fire-proof buildings for bamboo and paper houses.

Under a national law which the Construction Ministry promulgated on November 1, Japanese may no longer erect buildings other than those of "reinforced concrete and other fire-proof structure" within designated areas of 14 large cities including Tokyo and Yokohama.

Supplementary anti-fire rules affecting architecture are now in force for areas outside the designated areas.

The law singled out public bath-houses as a frequent menace and specified that, unless properly fire-proofed, they—as well as hotels, hospitals, warehouses, markets and department stores—shall have no place in any city, town or village.

Ministry officials explained that the law was a sequel to increased supply of cement, lumber, sheet iron and other construction materials becoming available.—United Press.

World's Food Depends On
Luck Of Next Harvest

Washington, November 29.

For the first time since the war the food situation, at least in the Western World, had been greatly eased, according to a report issued by the World Food and Agricultural Organisation here today. The 58-Nation body, which completed its fourth annual conference today, warned, however, that the world still "depends on the luck of the next year's harvest."

"The great improvement in the world food situation, may too easily give a false sense of security," the reports add.

Three Reasons

It gave three reasons why "optimism must be tempered with caution in appraising the future outlook":

(1) This year's harvest was far above what could be expected in an average year, (2) The increased dependency of the world on supplies from North America raised the element of risk because of extreme fluctuations of output which might occur in the United States and Canada, (3) The World stocks of food are at a bare minimum and will still be low at the end of 1949.

A study of fundamental trends in agriculture led to the conclusion that unless the development envisaged for Russia's Eastern regions is particularly rapid and successful—it is "doubtful whether she will become a large exporter of food-stuffs in the near future except in extremely favourable seasons."

Liversidge agreed that he had been detained during the war for just over 18 months. After his release, he had spent a good deal of time and effort in trying to find out the reasons why the Home Secretary had made the detention order against him.

He brought actions in courts against the Home Secretary on grounds of false imprisonment but even then the reasons for his detention were withheld, he said.

A Penny A Bag
Liversidge claimed earlier to be a close friend of Mr. John Belcher. It is alleged he offered to use his influence in official quarters to get a licence for a

firm seeking to export millions of cement bags to France and Belgium.

For his services, it was stated, he demanded one penny per bag, a proposition which would have brought him over £83,000. Today, Liversidge denied he had asked for a penny a bag or that he had ever approached Mr. Belcher on the matter.

A new witness, Mr. William Graham Palmer, an executive officer of the Board of Trade, said Liversidge had asked the department to find him paper cement bags for export and mentioned that he was a friend of Mr. Belcher.

Witness said he had never invited Liversidge to apply for a licence and had not given his application any preferential treatment.

Mr. Cyril Joshua Ross, chairman and managing director of a firm of furriers, collapsed in the witness box and had to rest before continuing his evidence about financial transactions involving Stanley.

The Tribunal adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuter.

RED ACTION PROVOKES
NEW CRISIS IN BERLIN

Berlin, November 29.

The Russian authorities and the Berlin Communists today plunged the city into a new crisis in apparent preparation for the proclamation of a separate Red government for the Soviet sector. Colonel Frank Howley, United States troop commander, accused the Communists of trying to obtain control of the city by "violence and revolution" but said they would not get away with it.

First the Communist leaders called an extraordinary meeting in the Russian sector for Tuesday. They are expected to proclaim a separate government in an attempt to sabotage the city election which is to be held in the Western Zones on Sunday.

Next Marshal Vasily Sokolovsky, the Russian commander-in-chief, wrote formally to the Western commanders, protesting against Sunday's election saying that it was being forced on the Germans through "police persecution of democratic organisations."

He threatened action against "anti-democratic elements" of the City government which had attempted to "split the city into two."

Give Up Jobs

Then tonight Berlin's Communists ordered all German workers in the Soviet sector to get into the streets at noon tomorrow with their families for a monster demonstration. Germans were told to quit their jobs for the duration of the demonstration, which it was believed would coincide with the proclamation of a Soviet-sector government. It was indicated that the Germans hoped to jam Unter den Linden with 200,000 persons.

The Allied authorities are expected to reinforce police in their sectors to stop any attempt by Communist-led mobs to invade the Western sectors.

Referring to Communist threats on the determination of the Western Allies to hold elections in their sectors, Colonel Howley said the Red tactics were part of a plan to "rule by force." However, he added, any action the Communists might take would be recognised only in the Soviet sector.

"This is a question of the ballot box against force and in Western Berlin we recognise the ballot box," he said.

Live And Let Live

Colonel Howley and at a press conference that the time was ripe for a complete East-West diplomatic showdown. Berlin was merely the crisis centre of the Big East-West split, he said, and Russia must change its whole attitude before the Berlin crisis could be settled.

In the first authoritative listing of American demands for some time, Colonel Howley said Russia must accept the following "live and let live" programme:

(1) Lift the blockade and stop using force in politics; (2) Carry out all agreements in spirit as well as in letter; (3) Allow the Germans to establish their own government without favouritism.

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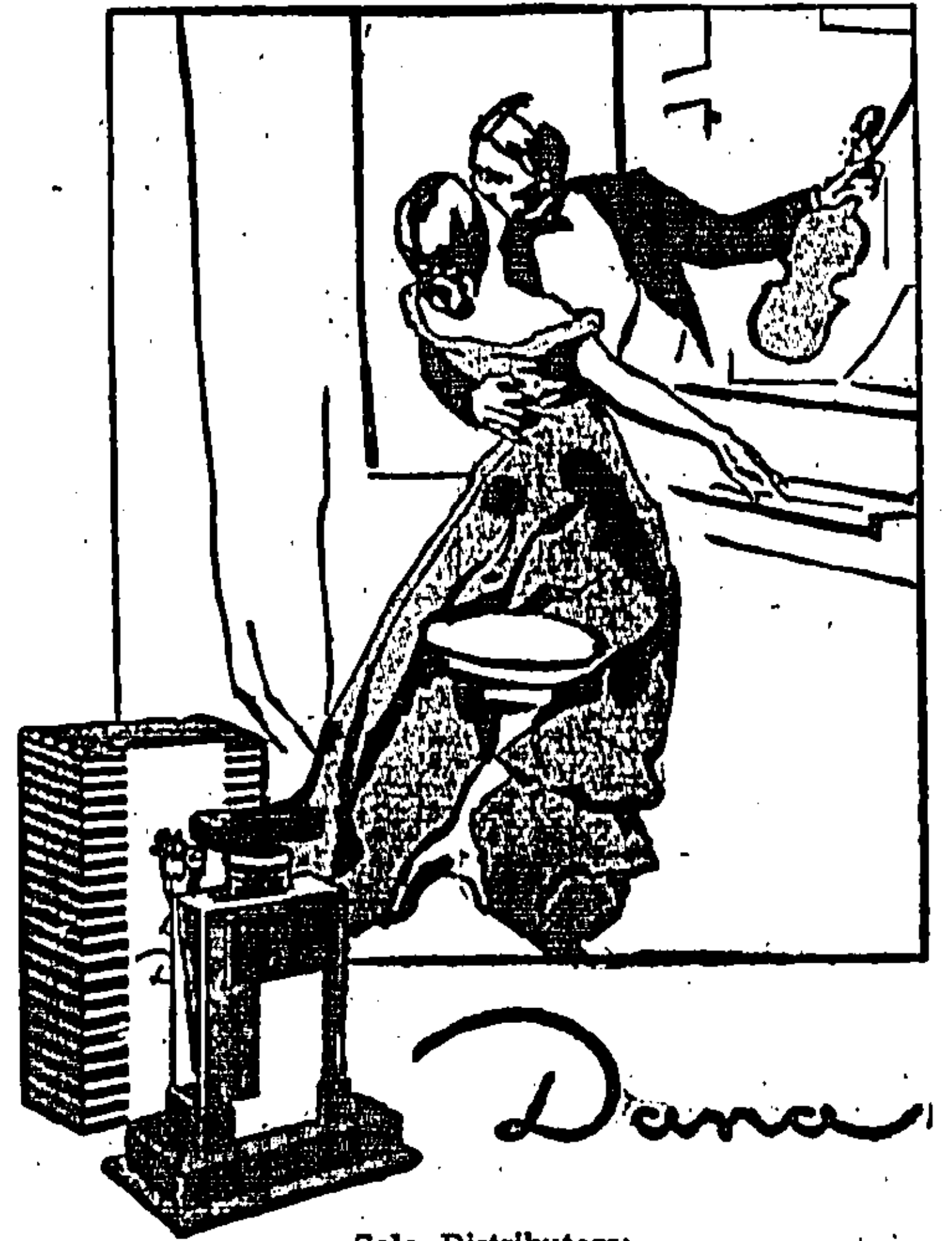
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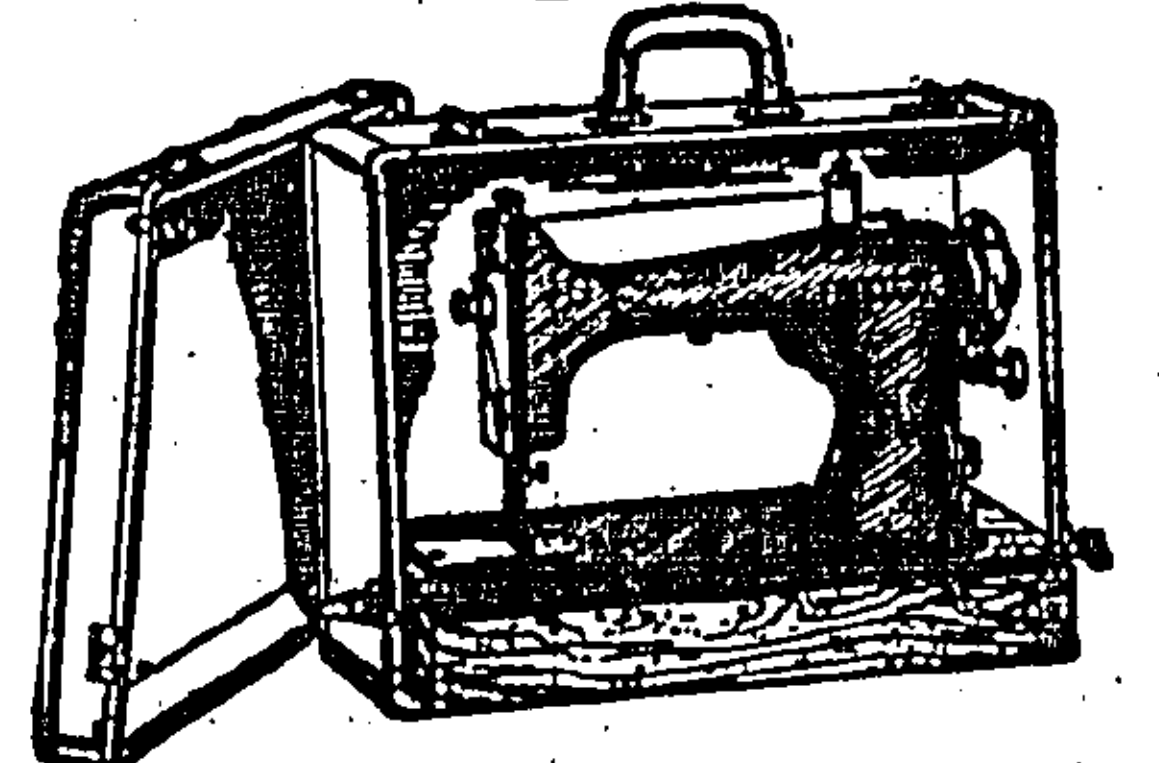
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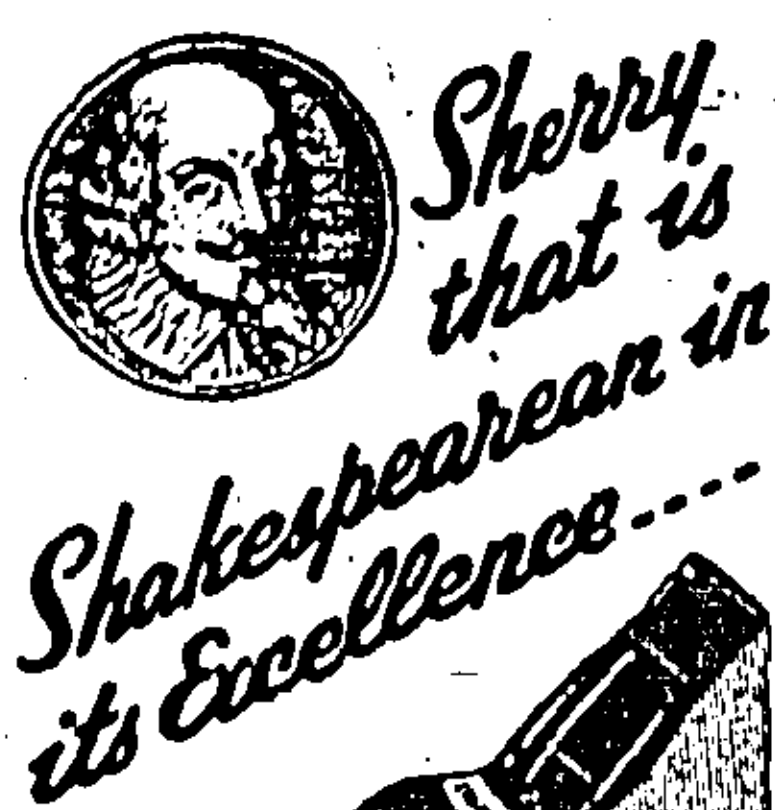


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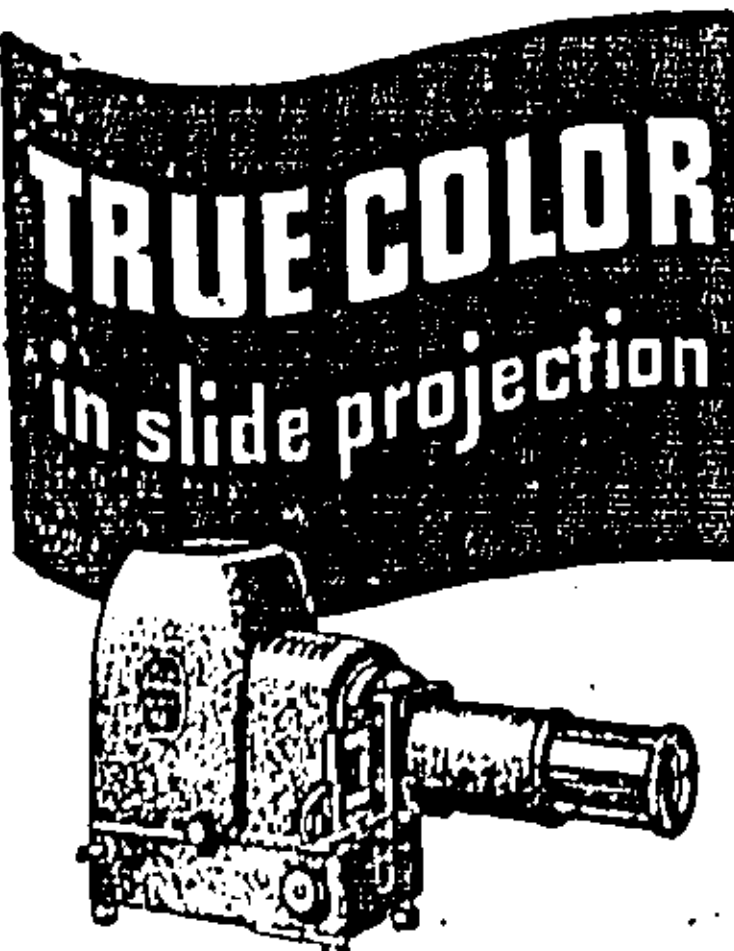
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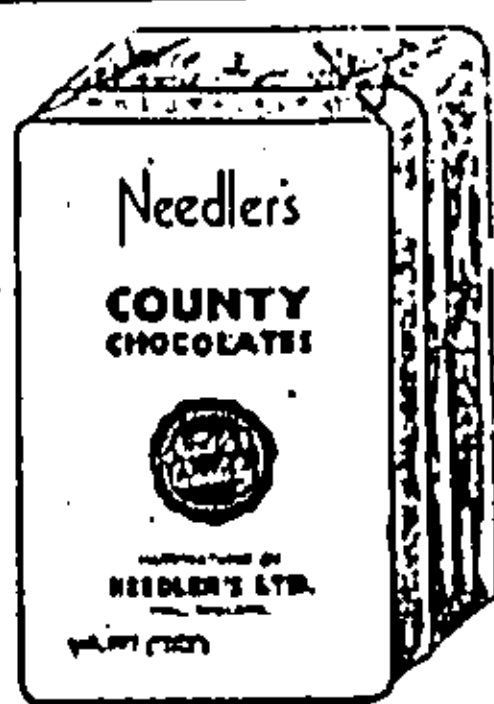
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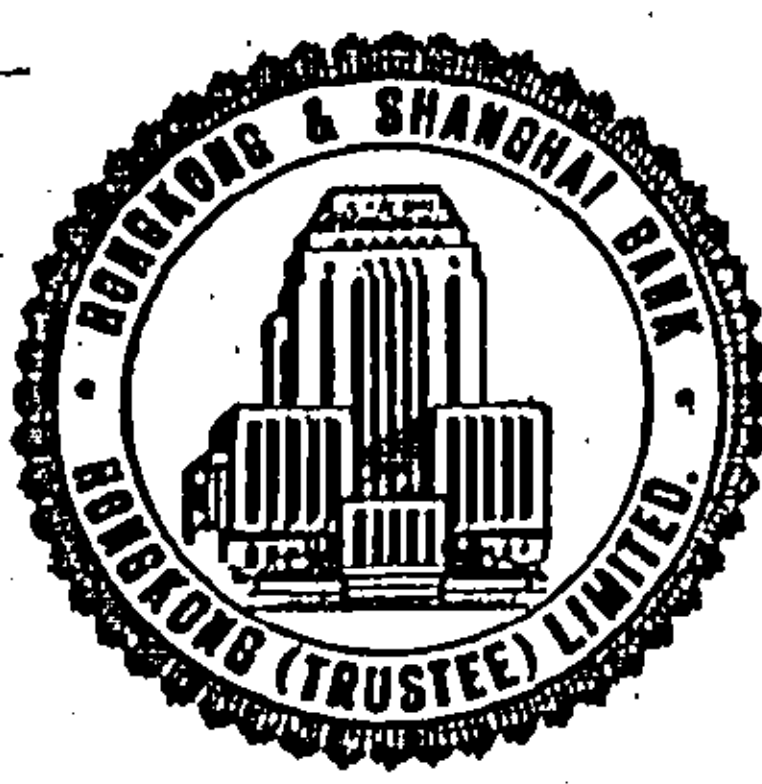
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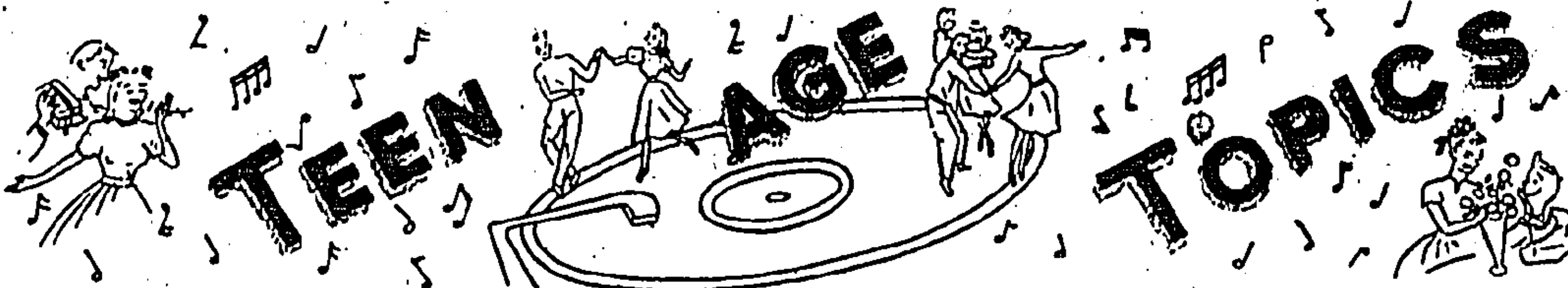
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Editorial Choosing A Career

At one time or another we have to make up our minds to do something.

Our first ambition is to be like Dad. But it usually turns out in the end that what Dad does, is just not exciting enough or, the other way round, too exciting altogether. So we look around for some other model more suitable to our own tastes.

In our personality column so far we have had a number of ambitions and hope-to-be careers expressed. They range from plain, gossiping housewifery to painting sunsets; from "logistics" "onomists." How they all come by their selections is usually inspired by some person or thing. But whether they will come by their selections, will only be through their own perspiring efforts.

In earlier issues of the topics there was a long discussion about parents' rights to interfere with their children's future.

Parents have their rights but children have their own intellect and will.

Each exercising their own stubborn ideas will seldom bring anyone near his or her objective. But both co-ordinating through a broad study of the situation almost invariably produce an amicable solution.

Once you are set upon an objective, you proceed the remainder of the road by yourself. Your parents have seen you to the station. It is now up to your own self to embark on your course.

But this is not the end. Sometimes, and it often happens, you find yourself not quite on the right train. Many, at this stage, give up, pack up and dry up, letting their yet undiscovered talent suffocate in their own gloomy atmosphere of defeatism. But others, bent upon the goal of achievements, and mindful that the best years of their lives are limited, plod gallantly on with renewed vigour of a further discovery, spurred by mistakes (which we call experiences) left behind.

It is true that shouts around you will be "fickle," "rolling stone" and the rest of it. But it is equally true that you are rolling.

One of the secrets of success is not to concentrate too much on what you are expected to be, but more on what you can be best.



Elizabeth Dorab Personality

Elizabeth Dorab was born in Hong Kong on October 27, 1930. The Colony is her home. She has never yet wandered out of its limits.

She started school at an early age, in the Sacred Heart Convent, then known as the Italian Convent. Elizabeth passed her School Leaving Certificate exam and is now studying in the Northcote Training College.

Elizabeth is going to be a school teacher. She has two years of study still to go through before she becomes qualified to enter this profession.

"I do not know what school I will be put to, but if I had my choice I would naturally like to teach in my old school, The Sacred Heart," she says.

She reads a good deal, mostly fiction. Her favourite books are detective tales and her favourite author, Agatha Christie.

Her recreation is basketball, table tennis, badminton and softball. She likes roller skating also.

Like any other teen ager, Elizabeth is an enthusiastic movie fan. She has favourite stars: Tyrone Power and Linda Darnell.

"Of course I am keen on the proposed Teen Age Council and we are looking forward to its development. But some of my friends are rather sceptical as to its successful outcome."

Platter Chatter

TRUMPET RHAPSODY:

Harry James first attracted attention when he was playing for Benny Goodman. His climb to the top was perhaps the most rapid of any sideman.

After he left the Goodman band, the young Texan formed his own outfit and toured the U.S.A. One of his cross-country affairs terminated in Hollywood where James not only got his film contract but captured La Grable for himself.

You cannot call Harry James the greatest horn man without being shouted down by the adherents of Louis Armstrong and Bunny Berigan. The old timer will claim pride of place for the almost legendary, Bix. But you can call James the most successful trumpeter of the age.

Jazz purists will tell you that he stopped playing jazz when he commercialised his horn. It would be fallacious, however, to say that he can no longer play jazz.

The technique is still as potent as ever and Harry still blows with the old fire and tone. If his public demands "sweet" there are a million good reasons why he should give them what they want.

Mindful of his jazz following, Harry occasionally turns out records like "Lover and Duke's Mixture." The last side would fool the most rabid Ellington fan until Harry reveals himself halfway through the record.

Columbia will shortly be issuing an album of six sides which James made with a small jazz band. I have yet to hear "All The Ways of which to quote Harry himself, "To my ear, that's the best sound we've gotten in years."

Prior to going on their own as soloists, Dick Haymes, Frank Sinatra and Helen Forrest have sung with the James band. Frankie has rarely sung better than he did for the record of

James' theme song, Ciriabiribin. One of Helen's best efforts was with Harry in "I Cried for You."

DISCOVERY

All Time Favourites (Album): Ciriabiribin (Sinatra vocal); Sleepy Lagoon; One O'clock Jump; You Made Me Love You; Music Makers (James composition); The Flight of the Bumble Bee Concerto for Trumpet (James composition); I Cried for You (Helen Forrest vocal); Strictly Instrumental; Tomorrow; Something for Nothing; My Friend Irma; Stange What a Song Can Do; September Song; Ab-Mur; I Understand; East Coast Blues.

DOLLARS

Melancholy Minstrel; Anne Shelton and Sam Brown; The Law is Coming; Say Something Sweet to Your Sweetheart; Primeo Scala; I Want Some Money; Test Heath; Dark Eyes; You Go To My Head; The Wren.

Competition

The competition last week saw only correct entry: Edith Mason (S19), Argyle Street Kowloon. The prize will be in the post today.

The answers to the competition are: 1. Lo Lam; 2. Argentina Gonzalez; 3. Alec Summers; 4. Aileen Reynolds; 5. Margaret Watson.

Here is this week's puzzle. The prizes will be \$5, \$3 and \$2, for the first three correct entries opened.

1. MWKASCSJE—He made Judicial history.
2. AEHPGLNNUIC — Piano recital at St. Paul's.
3. NSDDAOORO—Piper at St. Andrew's Hall.
4. ONALWROYMN — 12th Birthday Party.
5. RWAPHILAKS—New president H.K. & L. Hotel Residents Association.

Teen Talk

(The Teen Age Club subject in our last issue has met with some responses, of which the letters printed here are typical. Others to whom we are obliged for their interest in this connection include: David, B. Abong; J.T. Brown, Arthur, Lou Nic, Pireau, Ernest Low, Therese Simmons, Elizabeth Dorab, L.T. Chang, H. Moordeen.)

With reference to your article "A Teen Age Club" I should like to have an opportunity of attending the first meeting.

I am 18 years old and have recently arrived from England where, I am glad to say, teen agers matter a little more.

Now, I will be considered an old stager as I am nearly out of my teens. But I should like to help such a movement get on its feet. Having been at an Art College for the past two years, I have had a lot to do with people of all ages.

My one and only criticism of your Topics is that you do not include sufficient articles on, say, fashion and make-up for girls and sports for boys.

A short lively illustrated column on celebrities, fashion sport etc., generally would be very much appreciated.

Audrey Vane Foster.
Stanley Fort, H.K.

I am forwarding my name and address as requested, for the first meeting of the Teen Age Council project.

You don't know what this means to Hong Kong teen agers and I am sure you will get their full co-operation.

Katherine Boyes.
Boundary St. Kowloon

I read with great interest, your article in our popular Teen Age page about starting up a club and I would appreciate it if you kindly take note of my address and include me as a prospective member.

John A. Barton.
Waterloo Road, Kowloon Tong.

I am sure that you will receive the whole-hearted co-operation of all teen agers in Hong Kong with respect to your contemplated scheme to organise us. Needless to mention, count me in!

I would suggest that this gathering which you will soon be calling be held in one of the clubs of the Colony. The date should be either a Saturday afternoon or Sunday. I think during the week, the working teen agers will find it difficult to attend.

If there is any way that I can be of help, do not hesitate to call on me. Meanwhile accept my congratulations and good wishes.

Stardust.

SUSIE



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Broadcast Winners

A remarkably large and well-written number of entries were received for the broadcasting competition. Mr. David Delth Hardy, Programme Director, Radio Hong Kong, had considerable difficulty deciding on the best and he eventually compromised by choosing contributions from one boy and one girl, both aged 15. They are Diana Cheung of the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon, and Lai Kah-wah of the Ying Wa College, Kowloon.

Their letters on life in the Colony will be amalgamated, and this afternoon they will join in recording the finished product which will be broadcast to London tomorrow to be used in the B.B.C. Welsh Children's Hour Christmas Day programme.

The recording will also be broadcast from Hong Kong near Christmas.

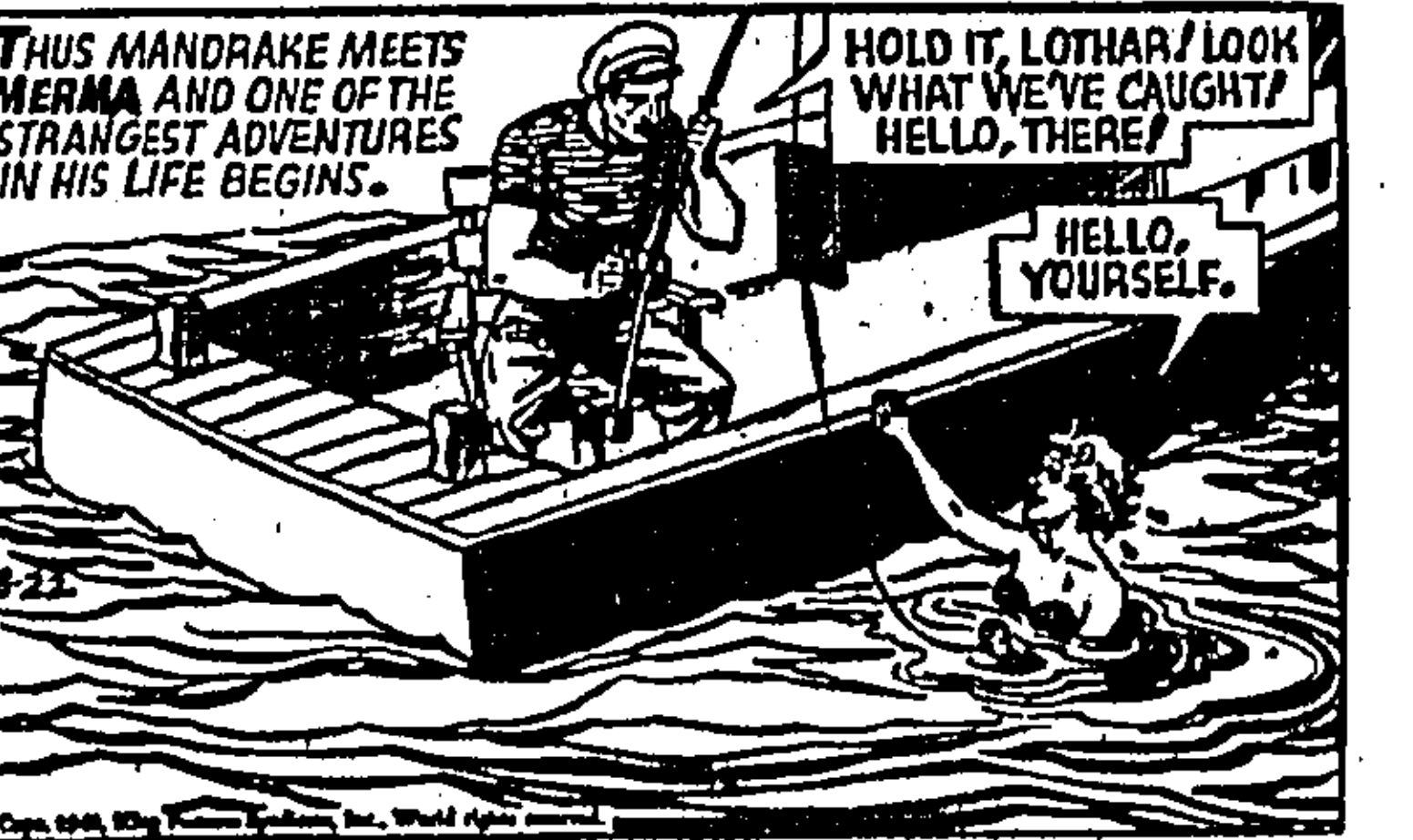
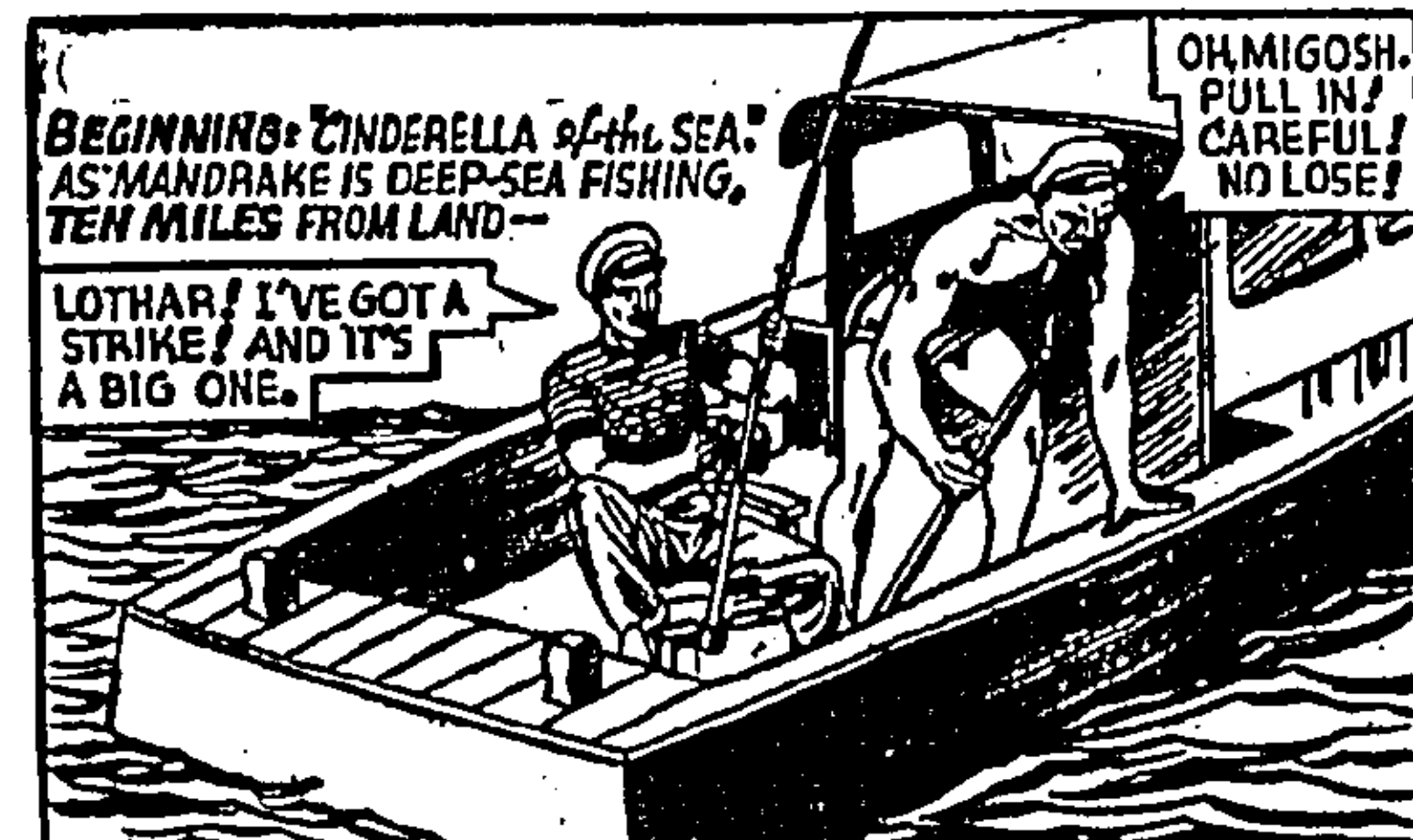
Mr. Hardy hopes to mention over the air all the names of those who submitted entries, with remarks on what they wrote, but this will depend on the pressure of radio time.

In any case, Radio Hong Kong, the B.B.C. and everyone in Hong Kong will join in congratulating the winning couple and in thanking all those who did so well.

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New York, November 30.

The setting up of an international exchange rate for the Japanese yen will be one of the several assurances Washington will ask of the visiting SCAP budget mission before it approves the record appropriation for Japan recovery, a well-informed source told United Press today.

This source, in close touch with both Government official and financial circles interested in Japanese recovery, said Washington was more eager to set an exchange rate soon than the occupation officials.

London Stock Exchange

London, November 29.

Where changed, prices were slightly easier on the London Stock Exchange today. Indices existed in all sections which were under the influence of the nearness to the end of the present trading period. Accounts end tomorrow.

The oil market was fractionally lower. Some medium-large selling of oil stocks depressed the price at 25/-. Others were fractionally lower.

Among industrial stocks, tobacco, iron, and steel moved lower but that was small support for textiles and electrical equipments.

Falls of 1/16 to 1/8 were fairly widespread in Government issues but the amount of stock that change hands was small.

Foreign bonds were quietly steady, but foreign rails showed losses. The mining sections followed the general trend and recent South African favourites lost ground. The lower levels, however, attracted some support and recoveries were shown by the Krugersdorp group.

In Japanese copper shares were generally a few pence off.

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Imperial Chemical Industries, 5 1/2.
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RUBBER SHARES:
Anglo-Burmese Plantations, 1 1/2.
Guthrie & Co. (Rubber Estate), 1 1/2.
Rubber Plantations Invest. Trust, 1 1/2.
MINE SHARES:
Burmese Corp., 4 1/2.
Crown Mines, 5 1/2.
Manganese Mines, 10 1/2.
Rand Mines, 6 1/2.
Spring Mines, 7 1/2.
Sub Nigel, 4 1/2.
Tungsten Co., 20 1/2.
Union Corp., 20 1/2.

SHIPPING:
British Overseas Airways, 6 1/2.
Royal Dutch, 4 1/2.
Shell Transport & Trading Co. (multinational), 4 1/2.
P. & O. Steam Navigation Co., 6 1/2.
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